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Introduction

IT is more than three years since our great Empire rushed to the standard to prevent the absorption of small nations by a Power, steeped in Imperialism and Militarism, and bent, through those instruments, on the domination of the world.

From the first our public schools eagerly came forward to take their part, and none have been more prominent than the dear old School on the Hill.

I have already endeavoured in *Harrow's Epic of the War* (published in December, 1916) to depict, in all too feeble words, the glorious spirit in which Old Harrovians willingly laid down their lives, not only for the noblest cause ever submitted to the decision of the battlefield, but also in the greatest war the world has ever witnessed. Their memories will be kept green in the minds of all who visit the School, in years to come, by an impressive monument, now under consideration, where future Harrovians will be able to read the names of the School heroes. Naturally they will try to picture to themselves the features of the gallant dead, and it will be in the pages of these volumes that they will be enabled to fulfil their wishes.

It is not possible to say what the number of volumes will be, for the end of the war is not yet in sight ; but already some five hundred have paid the great sacrifice. No words are necessary to commend these volumes to the notice of Old Harrovians.

To them, whether they were personally acquainted with the fallen or not, the books will form a glorious record of the unselfish patriotism and indescribable bravery of the old School, in the cause of honour, uprightness and down-trodden humanity, while to relations and friends they will bring some consolation, in that the faces of their dear ones will thus be permanently handed down to posterity.

H. L. SMITH-DORRIEN, GENERAL.

President, Harrow Association.

August, 1917.

In this Volume are contained the Names of
the First Hundred Old Harrovians to fall
in the War, from August 23rd, 1914, to
March 20th, 1915

Sec. Lt. C. A. K. Anderson
Capt. H. A. Askew
Capt. W. H. J. Barber-Starkey
Major E. E. Barwell
Capt. G. H. R. Blount
Capt. R. MacG. Bowen-Colthurst
Capt. F. S. Bradshaw
Sec. Lt. W. L. Breese
Major R. H. W. Brewis
Capt. E. J. Brodie
Lt.-Col. E. C. Broughton
Capt. C. G. Buchanan
Major A. W. Buckingham
Lieut. E. T. Busk
Major J. T. Carpenter-Garnier
Sec. Lt. J. A. M. Charles
Capt. S. H. Christie, D.S.O.
Major A. J. Clay
Sec. Lt. H. N. Clifton
Lieut. J. C. Close-Brooks
Major P. M. Connellan
Lieut. Sir A. C. Gibson Craig, Bart.
Major Eustace Crawley
Lieut. E. C. Daun
Capt. B. N. Denison
Lieut. M. P. Dilworth
Capt. D. S. Dodgson
Lieut. D. R. Drummond

Lieut. H. A. H. Dunsmore
 Capt. E. L. P. Edwards
 Capt. R. de C. Findlay
 Major The Hon. A. O. W. C. Weld Forester
 Pte. R. C. Forrest
 Capt. W. A. Fuller-Maitland
 Capt. A. N. Galbraith
 Major R. H. Galwey
 Lieut. E. Gilbey
 Capt. F. E. Gill
 Major T. P. Godman-Dorington
 Lieut. S. E. L. Gordon
 Lieut. R. C. Graves-Sawle
 Sec. Lt. R. E. C. Groome
 Capt. J. A. Halliday
 Lieut. The Hon. F. C. H. Hanbury-Tracy
 Lieut. R. D. S. Harding
 Capt. H. V. Hare
 Lieut. R. L. Q. Henriques
 Capt. S. F. A. A. Hurt
 Capt. J. B. Jenkinson
 Capt. C. A. Lafone, D.S.O.
 Capt. R. O. Lagden
 Sec. Lt. A. H. Lang
 Lieut. T. E. Lawson-Smith
 Lieut. F. C. Ledgard
 Major Chandos Leigh, D.S.O.
 Capt. M. Lloyd
 Lieut. F. Longman
 Major C. E. Luard
 Lt.-Col. C. McLean
 Sec. Lt. I. A. MacRae
 Capt. A. V. Makant
 Capt. C. O'B. H. Methuen
 Capt. E. C. Miller
 Capt. W. G. Montgomerie
 Sec. Lt. E. D. Murray
 Capt. N. Neill
 Capt. H. L. F. Nicholls
 Lieut. A. K. Nicholson
 Lieut. B. Osborne
 Lieut. G. C. L. Ottley, D.S.O.

Sec. Lt. W. F. Parriss
 Sec. Lt. J. D. Patteson
 Major C. V. N. Percival
 Capt. C. H. Peto
 Sec. Lt. C. A. Pigot-Moodie
 Capt. The Hon. F. R. D. Prittie
 Capt. M. Radcliffe
 Capt. E. H. Reid
 Capt. W. E. Rogerson
 Lieut. W. A. F. Sandeman
 Capt. B. H. Selby
 Capt. H. J. Shaw
 Capt. W. T. Stackhouse
 Capt. C. E. Strahan
 Lieut. F. E. Styles
 Capt. C. Symes-Thompson
 Capt. H. Taylor
 Capt. F. G. Theobald
 Sec. Lt. G. S. Rodie Thompson
 Capt. R. Tryon
 Lieut. G. M. R. Turbutt
 Sec. Lt. H. Scott Turner
 Lieut. C. H. Van Neck
 Lieut. F. C. Verner
 Capt. Sir F. E. Waller, Bart.
 Lieut. R. St. J. Willans
 Sec. Lt. M. D. Williams
 Lieut. E. H. Wilson
 Capt. C. E. Wood
 Sec. Lt. M. C. Wroughton

The names being in alphabetical order, it has been considered unnecessary to number the pages.

A Grave in Flanders

*HERE in the marshland, past the battered bridge,
One of a hundred grains untimely sown,
Here, with his comrades of the hard-won ridge
He rests, unknown.*

*His horoscope had seemed so plainly drawn,
School triumphs, earned apace in work and play ;
Friendships at will ; then love's delightful dawn
And mellowing day ;*

*Home fostering hope ; some service to the State ;
Benignant age ; then the long tryst to keep
Where in the yew-tree shadow congregate
His fathers sleep.*

*Was here the one thing needful to distil
From life's alembic, through this holier fate,
The man's essential soul, the hero will ?
We ask ; and wait.*

CREWE

2ND LIEUTENANT C. A. K. ANDERSON

King's Royal Rifle Corps

Church Hill 07²-11²

Aged 21

Nov. 12th, 1914

ONLY son of Alexander Richard Anderson, F.R.C.S., Senior Surgeon General Hospital, Nottingham, and of Edith, daughter of the late Charles Edward Tuck, J.P., Blofield, Norfolk, and grandson of the late Colonel Richard Anderson, H.M. 56th Regiment.

Pembroke College, Cambridge.

2nd Lieutenant Anderson received his Commission in the Royal Scots Fusiliers on the day War was declared, and a week later joined his Regiment at Gosport, leaving for the Front on August 13th, 1914. He was transferred to the 1st Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps on August 14th, but continued to serve with the Scots Fusiliers until his death.

He took part in the Retreat from Mons, and in the battles of Le Cateau, the Marne, the Aisne, and the 1st Battle of Ypres, in which he was slightly wounded. He was killed leading his men in a night attack on the German trenches at Château Haerentage, on November 12th. He had outlived or outstayed nearly all his brother-officers. Of the number that left Gosport with the Regiment only three remained.

Colonel (now Major-General) Douglas Smith, then commanding the Regiment, writes:—

“A capital boy in every sense of the word. Always cheerful and ready to work, and thoroughly reliable. He did not know what fear meant, and was so eager to undertake anything that was going.”

Captain A. A. Seaton, Tutor and History Lecturer of Pembroke College, who has since died of wounds, writes:—

“He stands out in my mind as one of the most lovable of my pupils, and of the many men serving at the Front, I do not think there is one whose death could touch me so nearly.”

Another Cambridge letter contains the following:—

“We felt it all the more because Mr. M—— told us he had run up against Anderson in the road on the Retreat from Mons. He said he was very mud-stained and dirty, but smiling as serenely as ever.”



CHARLES ALEXANDER KENNETH ANDERSON

CAPTAIN H. A. ASKEW

Boraer Regiment

The Park 95³-98²

Aged 33

Dec. 19th, 1914

ELDER son of the late Canon Askew, of Greystoke, Cumberland.

In 1908 he married Winifred Irwin, daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. Irwin, of Lynehow, Cumberland, and leaves two sons and a daughter.

After leaving Sandhurst, Captain Askew was gazetted to the 1st Battalion of the Border Regiment, and joined them in South Africa in 1901 (King's medal and five clasps). On returning home he took up Gymnastics, and became Assistant Superintendent of Gymnasia at Devonport. He rejoined the 2nd Battalion in 1913, and went to the Front with them in October, 1914, as Regimental Transport Officer, soon becoming Adjutant, Second-in-command, and finally O.C. Border Regiment and Gordon Highlanders.

He was killed on the top of a German trench at Saily while gallantly leading a charge, and so impressed the enemy by his courage that they paid him the tribute of burying him and erecting a cross, on which they inscribed, "To a brave officer of the Border Regiment," and added "Capt. Askew," the name they found in his pocket-book. During the informal truce on Christmas Day, a German officer handed a cap and badge to one of our officers and told him it belonged to a brave soldier. He also handed over the cross, and our officer put the name on in full and gave it back again.

A brother-officer writes:—

"He had a wonderfully cheering effect on the men, and incited them to doing just that little bit more that is so needed in this country."



HENRY ADAM ASKEW

CAPTAIN W. H. J. BARBER-STARKEY

Royal Field Artillery

Small Houses 94²-96²

Aged 34

Sept. 10th, 1914

ELDEST SON of William Joseph Starkey Barber-Starkey, J.P., B.A., of Aldenham Park, Bridgnorth, Co. Salop, and Margaret Aimée, third daughter of Sir George Kinloch, 1st Baronet, of Kinloch.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Captain Barber-Starkey was gazetted to the Royal Field Artillery from the Forfarshire Militia in 1900, was promoted Lieutenant in 1903, and Captain in 1912. He went to France with the Expeditionary Force on August 17th, 1914. He died from wounds, received on August 26th, 1914, in the Battle of Le Cateau.

On September 2nd he was officially reported 'missing,' and was twice afterwards unofficially reported a prisoner of war at Torgau, unwounded. His parents received information of his death through the Red Cross International Agency of Prisoners of War, Geneva. He died, on September 10th, 1914, in a German Field Hospital at Le Cateau, where he is buried.



WILLIAM HENRY JOSEPH BARBER-STARKEY

MAJOR E. E. BARWELL
57th Wilde's Rifles (F.F.), Indian Army

Home Boarder 86²-89³

Aged 42

Oct. 31st, 1914

YOUNGEST son of the late General Charles Arthur Barwell, C.B., and of Mrs. Barwell, of Launceston, Harrow.

He married, in 1892, Mary Cicely, eldest daughter of H. Tunstill, Thornton Lodge, Aysgarth, and leaves two sons and a daughter.

Receiving his Commission in 1892, Major Barwell was attached to the East Lancashire Regiment for one year in India. In 1893 he joined the Indian Staff Corps and served with the 4th Punjab Infantry (now the 57th Wilde's Rifles) in the Waziristan Expedition 1894-5 (medal with clasps); on the North-West Frontier at Tochi, 1897-8 (medal with clasps); and in China in 1900 and 1903 (medal). In 1908 he again served on the North-West Frontier on the Staff, taking part in the Zakha Khel and Mahmand operations, and was mentioned in Despatches. He went with his Regiment to Belgium with the Indian Expeditionary Force, and met his death by being shot in the forehead and killed instantly at Messines on October 31st. All who knew him will feel his loss keenly. His bright, merry ways, quick wit, and superb temper endeared him to both rich and poor. There are many people still in Harrow who can remember him well, and who will sympathise much with his wife and three little children, also with his brothers and only sister (Mrs. Percy Harvey), all of whom passed their early years at Harrow.



EDWARD EGERTON BARWELL

CAPTAIN G. H. R. BLOUNT

Royal Field Artillery

The Park 97^a-99^a

Aged 31

Sept. 23rd, 1914

ELDEST son of Major Hubert Blount, R.A., who was killed in the South African War, and of his wife Maud Blount.

R.M.A. Woolwich 1899-1900. He married Gladys, daughter of the Rev. Canon Wilson, of Mitcham, and leaves one son.

Captain Blount joined the Royal Field Artillery in 1900 and was promoted Captain in 1911, and afterwards Adjutant of the XXVth Brigade.

He went to France in August, 1914, and died on September 23rd of wounds received in action on September 11th.

His Colonel wrote:—

“I have never had under me a more promising young soldier, or one who could be more regretted by fellow-officers and men.”



GREVILLE HUBERT ROBINS BLOUNT

CAPTAIN R. M. BOWEN-COLTHURST

Leinster Regiment

The Park
The Head Master's } 987-027

Aged 31

March 15th, 1915

YOUNGER SON of R. W. T. Bowen-Colthurst, of Dripsey Castle, Coachford, Co. Cork.

In 1907 he married Winifred, daughter of the Rev. C. F. C. West, Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, and leaves three daughters and one son.

Trinity College, Cambridge: in 1906 Private Secretary to the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland: subsequently Vice-Chamberlain, and eventually Inspector of Irish Produce in Britain under the Irish Board of Agriculture.

A brother-officer writes to his widow:—

“About 4.30 p.m., in the afternoon of Sunday, March 14th, a tremendous bombardment by our guns started. We were very soon turned out and hurried up to a ruined village, not far behind the trenches. We learned that the Germans had captured our trenches, and it was decided that we must counter-attack at 2 a.m. on Monday morning. Your husband was detailed with his company to recapture a trench, No. 20. He was full of keenness and enthusiasm about it, as he always was about everything. At 2 a.m. they charged, and captured the trench, any Germans who were in it running away, but after some time found they were being so hotly fired on from the right flank, that they decided to fall back into a trench just behind. As they did this, a young subaltern, named Buchanan, of the Irish Fusiliers, who was attached to A Company, was badly wounded. As soon as your husband got his Company into a trench behind, he, with the Company Sergt.-Major and a volunteer, went back under heavy fire and brought Buchanan into the trench. They were walking along inside the trench, but your husband's head must have been exposed, for a bullet came over the parapet and went right through his head. He knew nothing about it, but just dropped, death being instantaneous. It would seem almost as if he had a premonition of his death, as several times he repeated to his Company Sergt.-Major, ‘Be sure, if I am shot, that you bury me where I fall—as I am too big and heavy for the men to carry in.’ Up to the very end he was always thinking of others. I am very glad to say I understand the C.O. is recommending your husband for the D.S.O. for the good work he did that night.”



ROBERT MACGREGOR BOWEN-COLTHURST

CAPTAIN F. S. BRADSHAW

Somerset Light Infantry

Moretons 98^t-01^t

Aged 31

Dec. 19th, 1914

SON of the late Major Frank Boyd Bradshaw, 13th Somerset Light Infantry, and of Catharine Douglas Bradshaw, and great-grandson of General Laurence Bradshaw, also of the Somerset Light Infantry.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1902.

Captain Bradshaw joined the Somerset Light Infantry, the Regiment in which he had been born and bred, in 1904, and was promoted Captain in 1914. For five years he served with his Regiment in India, where he was well known as a Polo player, and did much big game shooting and pig-sticking. In 1911 he went to the Depôt at Taunton for three years, and rejoined his Regiment at Colchester, in March, 1914.

He went to the Front with the 11th Infantry Brigade, 4th Division, which, before leaving, was quartered at Harrow, in August, 1914. He took part in the Retreat from Mons, and was present at the Battles of Le Cateau, the Marne, the Aisne, Le-Gheer and the 1st Battle of Ypres. On November 2nd, 1914, he was wounded in the right hand, but refused, contrary to all advice, to be sent home. On November 22nd he returned to his Regiment, and was killed in the attack of December 19th, at Ploegsteert Wood. His Company was in reserve at the time, but seeing a brother-officer fall at the head of one of the attacking platoons, without a moment's hesitation he jumped up and took command, being himself killed soon after.

A private in his Company writes :—

“His death is very much regretted by the whole Company, because they could always trust him. He would never send his men where he would not go himself. He was an exceptionally brave man, and knew his work, and it would be very difficult to find his equal.”



FRANK SEYMOUR BRADSHAW

2ND LIEUTENANT W. L. BREESE

Royal Horse Guards

The Grove 96^a-01¹

Aged 32

March 17th, 1915

ONLY son of the late W. L. Breese, of New York, U.S.A., and Mrs. H. O. Higgins.

Trinity College, Cambridge. Spent several years in travel, and was for three or four years engaged in mining enterprises in the Yukon.

Married Julia Fish, daughter of the Right Honourable Hamilton Fish, of New York City, and leaves two sons.

At the outbreak of the War, 2nd Lieutenant Breese returned to England, and in order to accomplish his desire to serve with the British Forces, became naturalized. In January, 1915, he was gazetted to the Royal Horse Guards. He was much interested in quick-firing guns and explosives, and in connection with these was attached on special service to the Headquarters of the Expeditionary Force.

He was killed by an explosion on March 17th, 1915, while working on explosives near St. Omer.



WILLIAM LAURENCE BREESE

MAJOR R. H. W. BREWIS

Royal Warwickshire Regiment

Church Hill 88²-91²

Aged 41

Dec. 18th, 1914

ELDEST SON of S. R. Brewis (O.H.), J.P., of Ibstone House, Oxfordshire, and Mrs. Brewis, 86 Cromwell Road, S.W.

Jesus College, Cambridge.

Major Brewis entered the Regular Army from the Militia in 1895, and was promoted Captain in 1900, and Major in 1912. For three years, from 1907 to 1910, he was Adjutant to his regiment, and was then appointed Adjutant and Quartermaster, Staff College. In the Nile Expedition, 1898, he was present at the battles of the Atbara and Khartoum. On August 4th, 1914, he was gazetted D.A.A.G. with the Expeditionary Force, and on October 14th, A.A.G. with rank of temporary Lieut.-Colonel. This appointment he resigned to rejoin his Regiment, which he was commanding when he fell, near Armentières, on December 18th, 1914. He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of May 31st, 1915.



ROBERT HENRY WATKIN BREWIS

CAPTAIN E. J. BRODIE

Cameron Highlanders

The Head Master's 92³-96²

Aged 36

Nov. 11th, 1914

SECOND SON of the late J. C. J. Brodie, of Lethen and Coulmony, Lord-Lieutenant for the county of Nairn.

Trinity College, Cambridge. Head of the family of Brodie of Lethen. Married in 1910 Marion, daughter of Major Stirling, of Fairburn, and leaves three children.

Captain Brodie entered his Regiment from the Militia in 1900, and was promoted Captain in 1911, after serving on Mediterranean stations, in South Africa and China. On the death of his elder brother he was obliged to return to England, and for four years acted as Adjutant to Lovat's Scouts Yeomanry.

At the beginning of the War he went to France with a draft on August 21st, 1914, to join the 1st Camerons, and was present at the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne. On September 25th the Camerons' headquarters was blown in by a shell, causing the death of all in the cave or dug-out at the time, and he was the only senior officer left to take command, which he did till the arrival of Colonel McEwen, who appointed him Adjutant. He was killed in the 1st Battle of Ypres. The following account from Brigade Headquarters tells how he fell:—

“On the morning of November 11th we were very heavily shelled by the Germans, and were then attacked by the Prussian Guard in great strength. A great many of our people had been killed in their trenches, and through these gaps the Germans came. Captain Brodie, who was at his Battalion Headquarters, collected what men he could, and then returned with them to Brigade Headquarters. Meanwhile, of course, the Germans had followed him up and began to attack our actual headquarters. General Fitzclarence then ordered Captain Brodie to organize the defence, so he got together grooms, servants, telephonists, and orderlies, and with them not only succeeded in holding the Germans up, but also managed to drive them back some 400 yards. . . . They attacked us again, but were again repulsed by Captain Brodie and his command.”

An Officer writing says:—

“He had done most awfully well, first of all in command of the Battalion after the cave tragedy, and then as Adjutant, and at the end he died most gallantly after a very successful attack.”



EWEN JAMES BRODIE

LIEUT.-COL. E. C. BROUGHTON

York and Lancaster Regiment

Druries 72¹-74³

Aged 56

Dec. 17th, 1914

FIFTH son of Robert John Porcher Broughton (O.H.), for nearly sixty years Solicitor to the Coldstream Guards, and of Louisa Diana, his wife. Married in 1888 Jane Henrietta King Keane, only daughter of Major Benjamin Bloomfield Keane.

Colonel Broughton entered the Army in 1876, and retired as Major in 1901. He served in the Egyptian Army in 1884, being present at the battles of El Teb and Tamai (medal, clasp, and Khedive's Star), and in the South African War (medal and three clasps). He was promoted Lieut.-Colonel (Special Reserve) in 1909, receiving two extensions of service.

The 3rd Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment, of which he was in command, was mobilized in August, 1914, for coast defence at Sunderland, and Colonel Broughton died in the Armstrong College Military Hospital after an operation on December 17th.

His Adjutant writes:—

"I knew him well, and was very fond of him, for no Adjutant could have had a better or a kinder Commanding Officer. He was an example to all of us, and his loss to the Regiment is irreparable."

The late Colonel Ellis Lee wrote:—

"Personally I have lost a dear friend, and I shall never forget how he helped me in regimental matters while I was in command of the dear old 65th."

His Quartermaster writes:—

"We have lost not only a Commanding Officer who was beloved by all who have served with him, but one whom we all looked upon as a father, and to whom all of us went when in trouble or difficulty."



ERNEST CHAMIER BROUGHTON

CAPTAIN C. GRAY BUCHANAN

35th Sikhs

The Park 92¹-96¹

Aged 36

Nov. 4th, 1914

ELDEST son of Michael Rowand Gray Buchanan, Lieut.-Colonel late 4th Battalion Scottish Rifles.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, passed out first 1898. Married, in 1914, Jane Cecilia Hope, only daughter of Major R. E. Findlay, of Boturich Castle, Dumbartonshire.

Captain Gray Buchanan was attached to the 1st Battalion Hampshire Regiment as a probationer for the Indian Army. He served with that Regiment at Lundi Kotal (Khyber Pass) and on the North-West Frontier of India from October, 1898, till October, 1899, when he was appointed to the 35th Sikhs. He served through the Waziri Campaign with his Regiment in 1901 (medal and clasp). He was promoted Captain in 1907, and passed out of the Staff College, Quetta, in December, 1913. Early in August, 1914, he was appointed to the Headquarters Staff of the Royal Flying Corps' Expeditionary Force, and on November 2nd was attached to the 8th Gurkhas. He was first reported 'missing, believed killed,' and then officially reported killed on November 4th, 1914, near Festubert.



CLAUDE GRAY BUCHANAN

MAJOR A. W. BUCKINGHAM

Gordon Highlanders

Rendalls 84³-87²

Aged 44

Nov. 17th, 1914

THIRD son of the late Joseph Hicks and Lucy Webster Buckingham, Lancaster Gate.

Sometime a member of London Stock Exchange: late Captain London Scottish R.V. Major 3rd (Spec. Res.) Battalion Gordon Highlanders. Married in 1908 the only daughter of the late Lieut.-Colonel Rudge, R.A., and Mrs. Rudge, Stede Court, Harrietsham, Kent.

Major Buckingham saw service in South Africa from 1899 to 1902. He was present at operations in Natal, 1899, in command of volunteer details, and afterwards Garrison Adjutant, Green Point Camp, obtaining Queen's medal with three clasps and King's medal with two clasps.

Attached to the 1st Battalion, he went to the Front in September, 1914, and was killed at Hooge, near Ypres, on November 17th.

Major W. Baird, Commanding 1st Battalion Gordon Highlanders, wrote to Mrs. Buckingham:—

“It is with the greatest sorrow that I write to tell you of your husband's death. It was on November 17th, and our position was being heavily shelled by German Artillery. Your husband, with two officers of the Wilts. Regt., was taking shelter in a dug-out, when suddenly a German shell fell right on top of the dug-out, killing your husband and one other officer, and very dangerously wounding the third. I need not tell you how deeply the whole Regiment, officers and men alike, have felt and will feel his loss. We have lost a sterling friend and splendid officer, whose whole heart was in his duty. We have buried him in a wood, close to where he fell. The place has been enclosed and marked with a wooden cross. The spot where he lies is in a little wood, not far from the road which leads from Ypres to Menin, S.E. of the village of Hooge.”



AUBREY WEBSTER BUCKINGHAM

LIEUTENANT E. T. BUSK

London Electrical Engineers (T.F.)

Newlands 00'-04*

Aged 28

Nov. 5th, 1914

ELDEST son of T. T. Busk, Esq., J.P. for Middlesex and Westminster, of Hermongers, Rudgwick, and Mrs. Busk.

King's College, Cambridge (Scholar): 1st Class Mechanical Sciences Tripos. Assistant Engineer in charge of Physical Experimental Work at the Royal Aircraft Factory. Designer of the first full-sized inherently stable aeroplane.

Lieutenant Busk was with his Corps when War broke out, but was recalled by the War Office to the Royal Aircraft Factory, where he conducted experiments of a highly dangerous nature in the air.

About five o'clock on November 5th, 1914, a biplane piloted by him caught fire while 1000 feet above the Long Valley, Aldershot, and when some hundred feet above the centre of Laffan's Plain fell headlong to the ground. Death must have been instantaneous.

Lieut.-Colonel Clive Wigram, writing for H.M. the King to his mother, says:—

“In offering you his sincere sympathy in your bereavement, the King feels that the country has lost the services of one who, by experiment and research, contributed in no small measure towards the science of flying.”

Mr. O'Gorman, the Superintendent of the Royal Aircraft Factory, writes:—

“He did the most magnificent things without announcing any intention and without applauding audiences. . . .

“He worked out a result, knew it was right, but simply had his results checked, and then proved them in his own person over and over again.”

Col. Brancker, the Director of Military Aeronautics at the War Office, writes:—

“Your son is an irreparable loss to the British Army and, indeed, to the nation, for there are few men available with a like combination of an exceptional brain and scientific knowledge with perfect courage.”

Professor Hopkinson writes to Mr. O'Gorman:—

“I am convinced that had he lived Busk would have attained the highest distinction as an engineer. I believe he might even have been remembered with Parsons and Baker. Of all the young men I have had to do with, he, more than any, combined common sense and sagacity with scientific ability and originality.”



EDWARD TESHMAKER BUSK

MAJOR J. T. CARPENTER-GARNIER

Scots Guards

Church Hill 87³-92²

Aged 40

Sept. 15th, 1914

ELDEST SON of John Carpenter-Garnier, J.P., D.L., of Rookesbury Park, Wickham, Hampshire, and the Hon. Mary Louisa Carpenter-Garnier, 2nd daughter of the 19th Baron Clinton, of Heanton Satchville, North Devon.

Christ Church, Oxford, 1892. Often played cricket for the Household Brigade against the School.

Joining the Scots Guards in 1896, he was Adjutant of the 2nd Battalion from 1903 to 1905, and Regimental Adjutant from 1906 to 1909. He obtained his majority in 1908. He served in the South African War, being present at various engagements (two medals and five clasps).

He went to the Front in August, 1914, with the Expeditionary Force, being Second-in-command of his Battalion. He took part in the early operations, including the Battle of the Aisne, at which he commanded his Battalion, owing to the temporary absence of Colonel Lowther. He was badly wounded in the head by shrapnel on September 14th; he never recovered consciousness, and died on the following day.

The Colonel writes to his father:—

“I wish to send you a message to say what a loss your son will be to me, and how much I shall feel the want of his services. He was so absolutely reliable, and always took a great share of work off my shoulders. All the Brigade will sadly feel the loss of so excellent a Guardsman.”

His Adjutant writes:—

“He died gallantly, as was to be expected of him, and his loss to us is indeed a severe one. . . . I must tell you how beloved Jack was by all the Regiment, who admired so much his straightforward and steadfast character, apart from his rare qualities as soldier and man.”



JOHN TREFUSIS CARPENTER-GARNIER

2ND LIEUTENANT J. A. M. CHARLES

Shropshire Light Infantry

Elmfield 04²-08²

Aged 25

Feb. 10th, 1915

SON of James Hamilton Charles (O.H.), Vicar of Oakham and Rural Dean, and Mrs. Charles.

Twelfth man for the XI in 1908. Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A.

2nd Lieutenant Charles was gazetted to the Shropshire Light Infantry in November, 1914, from the Special Reserve, which he joined two years before.

He went out to the Front in September, 1914, and was reported wounded in November under the following circumstances:—He had been chosen by his Colonel to hold some advanced trenches at Armentières, only a hundred yards from the Germans, and was endeavouring to reach some men of his Platoon, who were being hard pressed by the enemy. In doing this he received a terrible wound in the head, as a result of which he became partially paralysed and was unable to speak clearly. Nevertheless he lay in the trenches for eight hours, giving orders to his men through his servant. At the end of this time he was carried by two men under a heavy fire to a dressing station; even here he was exposed to shell fire, but was finally removed to safety. Great hopes of his recovery were entertained, but a serious operation became necessary, and he died in London on February 10th, 1915.

His Colonel wrote:—

“The Battalion has lost an able officer, one who was cheerful under all circumstances, and very well fitted for his work.”

A Captain wrote:—

“I know how sorry all his brother-officers and the men will be to hear of his death. He was always the life and soul of the Company during the dreary days on the Aisne and in Belgium.”

Another brother-officer wrote:—

“It was owing to his Colonel’s confidence in him, and to the fact that the men would follow him anywhere, that he was honoured at the Battle of the Aisne by being chosen to hold advanced trenches against the enemy, and also again at Armentières.”



JAMES ARTHUR MERRIMAN CHARLES

CAPTAIN S. H. CHRISTY, D.S.O.

20th Hussars

The Knoll 93^d-97th

Aged 35

Sept. 3rd, 1914

YOUNGER SON of the late Stephen Christy, of Highfield, Stockport, and of Blanche, his wife.

Christ Church, Oxford.

Married, in 1905, Violet M. M. Chapell Hodge, who predeceased him.

In 1899 Captain Christy joined the 20th Hussars. He served in the South African War (medal and four clasps), and in the Sokoto Burni Expedition, N. Nigeria, in 1903, where he was wounded and mentioned in Despatches. In 1905 he won the D.S.O. He then became a Lieutenant in the Reserve of Officers and Master of the South Shropshire Foxhounds. He rejoined his Regiment at the beginning of the War, and was gazetted Captain on August 14th, 1914, being killed at La Ferté on September 3rd.

His Colonel writes:—

“He is a very great loss, as he was a most excellent officer.”

A brother-officer writes:—

“He made himself frightfully popular with the officers and men of his Squadron, and his disappearance has cast quite a gloom over the Regiment. Everyone says they never saw a man so utterly devoid of fear and so absolutely unselfish in every way.”



STEPHEN HENRY CHRISTY

MAJOR A. J. CLAY

North Staffordshire Regiment

Church Hill 84²-89³

Aged 44

Feb. 18th, 1915

ELDEST SON of C. J. Clay, J.P., of Holly Bush, Burton-on-Trent.

New College, Oxford, 1889—M.A. 1896. Director of Messrs. Bass, Ratcliffe and Gretton. Director of the Gordon Hotels. One of the principal promoters of the Motor Industry in Burton-on-Trent.

Married, in 1905, Bridget, eldest daughter of T. S. Parker-Jervis, of Fotherley Hall, Lichfield, and leaves two sons and one daughter.

Major Clay had been prominently associated with the old Volunteer Movement for many years, having obtained his Commission twenty-two years ago. He had resigned his Captaincy before the formation of the Territorial Force, but upon the outbreak of the War he immediately offered his services, and resumed his Captaincy in the 6th (Reserve) Battalion, in the raising of which he showed great energy. He died of pneumonia, at Harpenden, whilst on duty with his Regiment.



ARTHUR JOSEPH CLAY

2ND LIEUTENANT H. N. CLIFTON

Coldstream Guards

Druries 08'-13'

Aged 20

Feb. 1st, 1915

YOUNGER son of William Edward and Isabel Clifton, of 12 Cambridge Square, Hyde Park, W.

Monitor: Head of his House. Football XI. Dolphin. School Boxer at Aldershot.

At the outbreak of the War 2nd Lieutenant Clifton was already a member of the Artists' Rifles, and accompanied them to France on October 26th, 1914. In the following January he was gazetted 2nd Lieutenant in the 1st Battalion of the Coldstream Guards. On January 25th he was severely wounded while leading his platoon, at Cuinchy, near La Bassée, and died from his wounds and exposure on February 1st, in a German Field Hospital. He was buried in the churchyard at Billy Berclau. His brother, of the same battalion, was severely wounded at the same time.

From Regimental Headquarters comes the following:—

“From the moment he joined, he showed himself well worthy of belonging to the Coldstream Regiment, and everyone from the commanding officer downwards wrote saying what an acquisition he was to the Battalion. . . . Had he been spared he had already shown that he would have been a credit to it, in whatever circumstances he might have been called upon to act.”

His Captain writes:—

“One of the men who were with him says he led them splendidly. He had been in the Company only about a week, but I liked him very much, and he was an excellent subaltern.”

The Colonel of the Artists' Rifles wrote about him, when he left the Corps:—

“His career has been a very fine one. . . . We are all very proud of him, and he has the good will and good wishes of every man in the Corps.”



HAROLD NORTON CLIFTON

LIEUTENANT J. C. CLOSE-BROOKS

1st Life Guards

The Knoll 91²-91³

Aged 38

Oct. 30th, 1914

ELDEST son of the late John Brooks Close-Brooks, of Birtles Hall, Chelford, Cheshire.

Trinity College, Cambridge. J.P. for Cheshire, County Councillor, and Chairman of the Conservative Party in Macclesfield. Partner in the Firm of Stockbrokers, Marsden, Close-Brooks and Robertson.

Married, in 1904, Marie, daughter of Major-General Beresford Lovett, C.B., C.S.I., and leaves two sons and one daughter.

Lieutenant Close-Brooks enlisted in the Cheshire Yeomanry in January, 1900, during the South African War (two medals and five clasps). After a year's service he was given a Commission in the 5th Dragoon Guards, and went with them to India. He resigned his Commission in 1904. On the outbreak of the War he joined the 1st Life Guards, and went to the Front in October, 1914. He was killed in action at Zandvoorde, near Ypres, on October 30th, 1914.

The following are extracts of letters from brother-officers :—

“When we were in action he proved himself to be entirely careless of danger, and absolutely fearless, and I know that on that day at Zandvoorde he and his Squadron will have behaved like true British soldiers.”

“I had the greatest admiration for him ; the Squadron to which he belonged was the best that ever went to France, and there were no more gallant members of it than —— and your husband. . . . These heroes will ever stand out in my memory as among the best types of English gentlemen I have met.”

“Every officer and man in the Regiment loved your husband, for two reasons ; he was a ‘man,’ and he was always so fair to them, and took his turn.”

“All who knew Close-Brooks knew him to be the most gallant and cool man in action ever seen, and all were devoted to him.”



JOHN CHARLES CLOSE-BROOKS

MAJOR P. M. CONNELLAN

Hampshire Regiment

The Grove 95³-98³

Aged 32

Oct. 20th, 1914

ONLY son of the late Major J. H. F. H. Connellan (O.H.), J.P., D.L., and Mrs. Laura Connellan.

Married, in 1911, Winifred, 3rd daughter of the late Arthur E. Niblett, of Haresfield Court, Gloucester.

Major Connellan joined the Hampshire Regiment in 1901, becoming Adjutant of the 3rd Battalion in 1911, having previously been Adjutant of the 1st Battalion for three years. He served with the Aden Boundary Delimitation Column in 1903-4, and became Captain in 1907.

His last days in England were spent at Harrow, where he was encamped with the 4th Division, and he went straight from there to Southampton, on the 21st August, 1914.

After the Retreat from Mons, General Hunter-Weston sent forward Major Connellan's name for "special promotion and reward." A few days later the command of the Battalion became vacant, owing to the senior officers being wounded or made prisoners. General Hunter-Weston obtained for Major Connellan the temporary rank of Major, and gave him the command, which he held at the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne, until he was superseded by a senior officer sent out from England. After this he continued as Major, 2nd in Command, until he was killed near Armentières on the 20th October, the day after his name appeared in Sir John French's Despatch. He was buried in a little French graveyard at Pont de Nieppe with another Old Harrovian, Lieut. E. D. Murray, 19th Hussars.

After his death General Hunter-Weston wrote strongly, urging that death should not be a bar to the honours for which he had been previously recommended, but beyond the second mention in Despatches no notice was taken of his services. General Hunter-Weston in a letter has stated that he looked upon Major Connellan as a "born soldier, and one of the ablest of his commanders, who would, if he had been spared, have reached the very top of the tree."

Major Connellan held the Royal Humane Society's Medal for saving a man in his Regiment from drowning in 1909.



PETER MARTIN CONNELLAN

LIEUTENANT SIR A. C. GIBSON CRAIG, BART.

Highland Light Infantry

The Head Master's 96¹-01²

Aged 31

Sept. 16th, 1914

THIRD son of Sir James Henry Gibson Craig, Bart. (O.H.), of Riccarton, Midlothian, and of Julia Buchanan, daughter of Archdeacon Buchanan, of Curriehill, Midlothian.

Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A., 1905: succeeded as 4th Baronet in 1908.

Lieutenant Gibson Craig joined the Highland Light Infantry in 1906. He spent 1913 in South Africa, where he acted as Intelligence Officer for some time, during the permanent officer's absence on leave. He went to the Front in August, 1914, being killed in the Battle of the Aisne. He was mentioned in Despatches.

Writing of his death, a brother-officer says:—

“Gibson Craig was shot while leading his men to an attack on a German machine gun which was hidden in a wood. He located the gun and asked our Second-in-Command whether he might take his platoon (about 20 men) and try to capture the gun, which was doing a lot of damage to our troops at the time. The Major gave his consent, and Gibson Craig went off to get the gun. . . . He and his men crawled to the top of the hill and found themselves unexpectedly face to face with a large body of Germans. Our men fired a volley, and then the Lieutenant drew his sword and rushed forward in front of the troops, calling to them ‘Charge, men! At them.’ He got to within ten yards of the enemy and then fell. The Germans held up their hands, but our men were so mad at their officer being killed (and also suspected treachery, as the Germans had not thrown down their arms) that about fifty Germans were killed on the spot. By his gallant action Gibson Craig did a great deal to assist the general advance of the Regiment, and indeed of the whole of the troops concerned.”



SIR ARCHIBALD CHARLES GIBSON CRAIG, BART.

MAJOR EUSTACE CRAWLEY

12th Lancers

The Head Master's 81³-86*

Aged 45

Nov. 2nd, 1914

FOURTH SON of the late G. Baden Crawley and Mrs. Crawley.

Cricket XI, 1885-6; Football XI, 1885; winner of Public Schools Racquets, 1885-6; Trinity College, Cambridge; C.U. Cricket XI, 1887-9; C.U. Tennis Player, 1888-9; winner of Army Racquets for five years with Major Eastwood; the only player who ever made a hundred in both the Eton and Harrow, and Oxford and Cambridge matches; won the "Grand Military" on "Field Marshal."

In 1904 married Lady Violet Finch, daughter of the 8th Earl of Aylesford.

Major Crawley joined the 12th Lancers in 1889, and served at Sierra Leone, 1898-9 (medal and clasp); and in the South African War (mentioned in Despatches, two medals and six clasps); D.A.A.G., India. He went to France in August, 1914, and was killed instantaneously by a shell near Wytschaete, in November (mentioned in Sir John French's first Despatch).

Lieut.-General the Earl of Cavan writes:—

"I knew Eustace intimately from 1879 to 1914. His sense of true sportsmanship was almost a religion with him, by which I mean that anything like trickery at a game or on the race-course he abhorred. Few things roused him to such a state of fury as an unfair claim for a 'let' at Racquets or Tennis. . . . No amount of congratulations could ever turn his head, and, from 1885 when he made his century for Harrow to the last *London Gazette* of 1914, he was idolized by all who knew him. . . .

"He was loyal to the core; loyal to his friends, men and women; loyal to his School; loyal to his Regiment; and I remember Sir Philip Chetwode telling me that from the qualities he showed in the advance from the Marne to the Aisne he proved himself a born cavalry leader.

"He was a voracious reader, and loved a discussion on any point of Religion, Tactics, Politics, or Sport.

"I doubt if any man ever lived more fully up to the motto 'Play up and play the game.' All loved him, and all remember him.

"He was the best—I claim the right of saying so as his oldest friend."



EUSTACE CRAWLEY

LIEUTENANT E. C. DAUN

Royal Sussex Regiment

Rendalls 99²-01³

Aged 29

Sept. 14th, 1914

ONLY son of Charles James Daun (O.H.) and Ada Margaret Daun, daughter of the late Lieutenant-General E. A. Williams, C.B., R.A.

Lieutenant Daun joined the Royal Sussex Regiment in 1904, and became Lieutenant in 1909. He served with his Regiment at Malta, Crete, and subsequently at Belfast, the Curragh, and Woking, where he was Assistant Adjutant.

He was an excellent rifle shot, and won the Officers' Cup at the Aldershot Command Rifle meeting in 1912 and 1913, and was second in 1914. He also shot in the 1914 team representing the English Regiments. He had been signalling, machine gun and musketry instructor to the Battalion.

He left with the First Division for France on August 12th, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons and the Battle of the Marne.

He was killed near the village of Troyon on the Aisne, on September 14th, 1914. His Regiment had orders to advance against some German trenches, and had reached the top of the Chemin des Dames ridge, when they came under fire from the enemy. The Sussex men returned the fire with their machine guns, and soon a white flag was displayed by the Germans, some of whom came forward to surrender. Most of A Company of the Sussex Regiment stood up to receive the surrender. Lieut. Daun had just taken a German officer's sword when a heavy rifle and artillery fire was opened by the Germans on the assembled mass of friends and foes. Under this fire Lieut. Daun fell, with his Colonel and three brother-officers. His body was never recovered.

A Captain in the same Company writes:—

“He was a splendid officer, and worked night and day for the good of his Regiment and his Company. He had a great future before him, and was to have been our next Adjutant. He will be a great loss to the Regiment.”



EDWARD CHARLES DAUN

CAPTAIN B. N. DENISON

Yorkshire Light Infantry

West Acre 97²-97³

Aged 30

Sept. 15th, 1914

YOUNGER son of Admiral John Denison and Florence Denison.

Entrance Scholar: passed 1st into the Navy, 1897: 1st out of H.M.S. *Britannia*.

Married, in 1907, Gladys May, daughter of Albert Nordheimer, of Toronto, Canada, and leaves one daughter.

Captain Denison first saw service as a Midshipman with the Naval Brigade in South Africa, being present at the battles of Belmont and Belfast: he was mentioned in Despatches and recommended for early promotion (medal and three clasps). He was transferred to the Army in 1902, and joined the K.O.Y.L.I. He was employed with the Canadian Forces from 1906 to 1908, and was Adjutant of his own Regiment from 1908 to 1911. Captain Denison was a Graduate of the Staff College, and Interpreter in Italian and French. He was gazetted Captain in 1914. On August 3rd, 1914, he was given a Staff appointment at the War Office, but left five days later to join his Regiment in Ireland *en route* for France. He was mortally wounded in the Retreat from Mons, at Le Cateau, and it is learnt that he was first taken by the Germans to the church, and then to a hospital, where he died on September 15th. He was buried in Le Cateau cemetery.

Colonel Arthur Elles writes to his father:—

“Bertram’s sacrifice is principally yours, but it is also very much a national loss. He was undoubtedly just establishing himself on the ladder of fame, and had earned a deservedly high reputation.”

Colonel Deedes writes:—

“Of the hundreds of gallant officers who have died in this cruel war, I am sure that none could have gone further than Bertram. I knew him so well from the day he joined the Regiment, and admired all his qualities of mind and character enormously.”

Colonel Bond writes to his widow:—

“We all miss your husband terribly. . . . He had behaved very gallantly each day.”



BERTRAM NOEL DENISON

LIEUTENANT M. P. DILWORTH

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment

The Knoll 01³-05³

Aged 26

Nov. 20th, 1914

ONLY son of William Proctor and Mabel Rebecca Grace Dilworth, of 13, St. Alban's Mansion, Kensington Court, W.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1906.

Lieutenant Dilworth joined the Sherwood Foresters as a 2nd Lieutenant in 1907. He went to the Front with his Regiment in November, 1914. He had been chosen as Machine Gun Officer, and on November 20th, 1914, was scouting for a good place for the guns to enfilade the enemy, when, as he was rounding a corner, a German shot him in the neck at close quarters. Death was instantaneous; his sergeant, who was with him, shot the German.

His Colonel writes:—

“He was most popular with all ranks in the Regiment, and I feel that in addition to losing a dear personal friend, the Regiment and country have lost a gallant and capable officer.”

His late Captain writes to his mother:—

“We are all very distressed at the death of your son and the loss we have sustained. He was a great friend of mine, so you can imagine how much I feel his loss.”

The Captain who took Lieut. Dilworth's position writes:—

“His machine gun men are such a fine set of fellows, and I can see how cut up they are about the death of your son, which dealt us all such a blow. I feel it immensely, as I was very fond of him, and it makes it doubly hard for me to have to carry on his duties as Machine Gun Officer. Your son certainly faced death most pluckily—may I face it as bravely when my time comes.”

His Sergeant writes:—

“His death has caused deep regret in the Regiment, as he was loved by every officer and man: in him a brave and noble son has been taken, and I have lost a good master.”



MACLEAN PROCTOR DILWORTH

CAPTAIN D. S. DODGSON

Royal Garrison Artillery

The Grove 98²-01⁷

Aged 29

Nov. 14th, 1914

SON of the late General Sir David Scott Dodgson, K.C.B., and of Lady Dodgson.

R.M.A., Woolwich, 1902.

Married, in 1908, Blanche Mary, youngest daughter of the late Dr. J. M. Leacroft, and leaves one son.

Captain Dodgson received his Commission in December, 1904, became Lieutenant in 1907 and Captain in October, 1914. He went to the Front in September, 1914, with the Ammunition Column attached to the 1st and 2nd Siege Batteries of the 1st Siege Brigade. He was killed by a sniper under the following circumstances :—The 2nd Battery being short of officers, Captain Dodgson had been acting as Observing Officer, as well as doing his own work in the Ammunition Column. On November 14th he volunteered to lay a telephone cable for the Battery, a most dangerous piece of work to undertake in broad daylight. Having finished his work in an advanced trench, he was on his way back, and it was while crossing an exposed piece of ground between our trenches that he was shot and instantly killed. For his gallantry he was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January, 1915.

Lieut.-Colonel Smeaton, R.A. (commanding the 1st Siege Brigade), writes to his widow :—

“Your gallant husband died nobly, killed in action. He died as he lived, a bright and shining example to us all, and we shall not soon or easily forget him.”

A brother-officer wrote :—

“I should like you to know how dreadfully we all feel his death, and how our hearts go out to you in your irreparable loss. He was always so cheery, so willing, and the men all loved him. . . . I can only repeat that I have lost a dear friend, who gave his life in a gallant attempt to carry out a dangerous and very important piece of work.”



DAVID SCOTT DODGSON

LIEUTENANT D. R. DRUMMOND

Scots Guards

Druries 98¹-03¹

Aged 30

Nov. 3rd, 1914

SECOND SON of the late George James Drummond and Mrs. Drummond, of Swaylands House, Penshurst.

Married, in 1907, Hilda Margaret, daughter of Alfred Harris, of Donnington, Chichester, and leaves three daughters.

In 1903 Lieutenant Drummond joined the 3rd (Militia) Battalion of the Black Watch, and in 1904 was given a Commission in the Scots Guards. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1907, and had latterly been on the Reserve of Officers. He went out to France in October, 1914, with the Seventh Division, and fought in the 1st Battle of Ypres. He was killed by a sniper near Ypres, and buried close to Veldhoek.

His Captain writes:—

“Just a hurried line on the march to tell you about poor old David; he was shot through the head by a sniper, and, thank God, suffered no pain. We buried him that night. I got a parson to say a few words over his grave, and I put up a rough cross I cut out of the wood, with his name and regiment on it. We can ill spare him—one of the best officers I had, and the most unselfish fellow I have met; however tired and hungry, he was always the first to volunteer to do anything, or to help others. I am simply miserable about him. He was a very gallant gentleman.”

His Sergeant writes:—

“It makes me very sad to think of such an untimely end, as his charm of manner endeared him to all ranks, and he proved himself a born leader in the field.”

The wife of a brother-officer writes to his widow:—

“. . . The same night there was a wounded man in the trench a little way off. They heard him moaning, and during the night Mr. Drummond managed to go to him and give him some morphia. The poor man died in the night, so his last hours were painless owing to Mr. Drummond's act. Another day they passed a wounded man lying on the ground in the cold, waiting to be picked up. Mr. Drummond took his Burberry and covered the man with it and left it there. Considering what coats mean to them out there, it was a splendidly kind and noble action.”



DAVID ROBERT DRUMMOND

LIEUTENANT H. A. H. DUNSMURE

Cameron Highlanders

Rendalls 06'-10'

Aged 23

Feb. 29th, 1915

ELDER son of Henry William Henderson Dunsmure, Member of H.M. Bodyguard for Scotland, and Alice Mary Terrot Dunsmure, and great-grandson of James Dunsmure, W.S., Chairman of H.M. Fisheries Board, and of Charles Hughes Terrot, D.D., Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Football XI, 1909. After leaving Harrow he spent some months in Germany and France before going to Sandhurst.

Lieutenant Dunsmure went to the Front in December, 1914, and was killed, two months later, in the trenches by a German sniper, who managed to enfilade a section. His death was almost instantaneous.

His Colonel writes :—

“He was a brave and efficient leader, and had endeared himself to all ranks.”

The late Captain McLeod, of the Cameron Highlanders, wrote :—

“He was cheerful under the most adverse circumstances and absolutely fearless.”

An N.C.O. of the Regiment writes :—

“We have lost *our* officer, the finest gentleman that ever stepped, who was not only brave himself, but inspired bravery in others.”



HENRY ALEXANDER HENDERSON DUNSMURE

CAPTAIN E. L. P. EDWARDS

East Yorkshire Regiment

Newlands 91¹-94²

Aged 36

Sept. 20th, 1914

ELDEST SON of Lea Priestley Edwards, J.P., Warberry Court, Torquay, his mother being a daughter of Lieut.-Colonel Sir Henry Edwards, Bart., C.B.

Sandhurst, 1894-5.

Captain Edwards joined his Regiment in 1896 at Bangalore, India. He was attached to the Northamptonshire Regiment for the Tirah Campaign, 1897-8 (medal and two clasps). He went to France on August 20th, 1914, and was killed, at the head of his men, on September 20th, near Troyon, on the Aisne, where two hundred and ten men, and ten or twelve officers were killed or wounded in seven minutes. He would have been a Major next day had he lived.



ERIC LEA PRIESTLEY EDWARDS

CAPTAIN R. DE C. FINDLAY

Seaforth Highlanders (T.F.)

Small Houses 82²-83¹

Aged 46

March 12th, 1915

ONLY son of the late James Findlay, of Easterhill and Blairlusk, N.B., and grandson of the late Robert Findlay, of Easterhill and Boturich, N.B.

Captain Findlay served for some years in the London Scottish, and was a member of the Royal Company of Archers. When War broke out in 1914, he devoted himself for some months to the recruiting and organization of an extensive system of Special Police, or Corps of Guides, in the County of Ross-shire. In November, 1914, he was gazetted Captain in the 4th Seaforths, and went to the Front with a draft from Bedford, where he had been training, in February, 1915. He was killed by a shell which burst close to him in the battle of Neuve Chapelle, on March 12th, 1915.

The Major (afterwards Colonel) of the 1/4th Seaforth Highlanders writes:—

“In him we lost a very gallant officer, and his death is a great blow to us.”

The Adjutant 1/4th Seaforth Highlanders writes:—

“Some of us had known him for several years, some of us only quite recently, but we all know that we have lost one of the best, and feel his loss greatly. . . . He brought out our last draft, and had not been with us for more than a few days; I know, however, that the men with whom he had served loved and admired him, and this admiration was perfectly obvious to anyone who had met him only for a few minutes.”

The Chaplain 1/4th Seaforth Highlanders writes:—

“His death has been keenly felt in the Regiment, and personally I regret his removal more than I can say. But he met a soldier's death, and he will be honoured not only by this Regiment but everywhere for the courage and devotion which he showed at a critical time.”

From the *Ross-shire Journal*:—

“. . . Those of the draft which he commanded will ever retain pleasant memories of an officer whose single concern was the safety, comfort and well-being of all under him.”

From the *Daily Graphic*:—

“There is great grief among the men of the London Scottish over the death of Captain R. de C. Findlay of the Seaforth Highlanders (T.F.). . . . For many years Captain Findlay was a very popular sergeant in the ‘Scottish.’”



ROBERT DE CARDONNEL FINDLAY

MAJOR THE HON. A. O. W. C. WELD FORESTER, M.V.O.

Grenadier Guards

The Head Master's 92¹-94³

Aged 37

Nov. 1st, 1914

FIFTH son of Lord and Lady Forester, of Willey Park, Broseley, Shropshire.

Major Forester joined the 2nd Battalion Grenadier Guards in 1898, and served throughout the South African War in the 8th Division (Queen's and King's medals). In 1910 he became A.D.C. to Lord Hardinge of Peshur, Viceroy of India. M.V.O., 1912.

He went out to France with the Seventh Division on October 7th, 1914, and fought at the 1st Battle of Ypres. He was wounded near Ypres on October 29th, and died of wounds in London on November 1st. Mentioned in Despatches.

Earlier in the year he had been playing cricket against the School for the Household Brigade.



THE HON. ARTHUR ORLANDO WOLSTAN CECIL
WELD FORESTER

PRIVATE R. C. FORREST

London Scottish

Druries 09³-14²

Aged 18

Oct. 31st, 1914

ONLY son of the late Robert Forrest, of Calderhead, Lanarkshire, J.P. and D.L. for Glamorgan, and of Mrs. Forrest, of New Court, Marlow.

Private Forrest joined the London Scottish on August 6th, 1914, a week after leaving School, and went to France on September 15th. He was wounded and missing after the charge of the London Scottish at Messines, on October 31st, 1914. He is said to have been shot in the leg, and to have been last seen with other wounded in a farmhouse near Messines, just before it was overrun by the Germans. None of the party has been heard of since.



ROBERT CLIVE FORREST

CAPTAIN W. A. FULLER-MAITLAND

Coldstream Guards

The Head Master's 96³-99³

Aged 32

Sept. 14th, 1914

ELDEST son of William Fuller-Maitland and the Hon. Evelyn Coulston Fuller-Maitland, of Stansted Hall, Essex.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1900.

Captain Fuller-Maitland joined the Coldstream Guards in 1901, and served in South Africa during the last year of the Boer War.

He went to France with his Regiment on the outbreak of War in 1914, and served in the early operations, during the Retreat from Mons, and in the Battle of the Marne. He was killed in the Battle of the Aisne, near the village of Troyon.



WILLIAM ALAN FULLER-MAITLAND

CAPTAIN A. N. GALBRAITH

Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps

West Acre 92²-97²

Aged 36

Feb. 15th, 1915

YOUNGER and only surviving son of the late Ven. Henry Galbraith, Archdeacon of Glendalough, and of Mrs. Galbraith, of Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow.

Monitor : 1895. Trinity College, Cambridge, 1895-7. Ceylon Civil Service.

Captain Galbraith joined the Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps soon after his arrival in the Island, was soon promoted Sergeant, and took a Commission in 1908. When at home on leave he was temporarily attached as a Lieutenant to the Rifle Brigade, and was promoted Captain on his return to Ceylon. As an indication of his keenness, it is said of him, that, except when out of the Island, he did not miss a single annual Camp, and he also had the reputation of being an excellent rifle shot.

When the question of raising a Ceylon Contingent for active service in the War was first mooted, Captain Galbraith was one of the first, if not the first, to send in his name. He went with the Ceylon Contingent to Egypt in November, 1914, and was attached to the Head-quarters of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps in January, 1915. He was fatally injured in a motor-car accident on his way to attend a court martial, on January 22nd, 1915, and died in Citadel Hospital, Cairo, on February 15th, 1915. He was buried at Powerscourt Church, Co. Wicklow, Ireland, on March 18th, 1915.

Mr. Stubbs, Colonial Secretary and Acting Governor of Ceylon, writes :

“ . . . Galbraith, as you know, was my private secretary for nine months, while I was administering the Government of Ceylon, and was invaluable to me. His wide knowledge of the Island and the people, his sound judgment and great powers of work, and his sympathetic insight, combined to make him an ideal person for such a position. Subsequently as my principal assistant in the Secretariat he continued to do most valuable work, and I looked forward with confidence to a time when the Secretary of State would offer him a more important post elsewhere. . . . He was always ready to take any amount of trouble for other people, and was one of the most unselfish men I have ever known. . . . I know of nobody whose death will be so widely and deeply regretted.”



ALEXANDER NORMAN GALBRAITH

MAJOR R. H. GALWEY

Royal Garrison Artillery

Home Boarders 87¹-89³

Aged 42

Feb. 23rd, 1915

SECOND SON of William Galwey, C.E., M.I.C.E., M.A.I., and of Maria Louisa Galwey.

Major Galwey joined the R.A. in 1893, became Captain in 1900, and Major in March, 1914, and was for a time instructor in gunnery at Shoeburyness. He served in the South African War, taking part in the Relief of Ladysmith, and in the operations on the Tugela Heights and at Pieter's Hill. He received the Queen's medal with five clasps and the King's medal with two clasps.

He was stationed at Singapore, and was on the point of coming home to command a Heavy Battery when the Singapore Riots broke out, and he was shot in the streets by the mutineers.

Their Majesties, the King and Queen, telegraphed to his mother:—

“The King and Queen deeply regret the loss you and the Army have sustained by the death of your son in the service of his country. Their Majesties truly sympathize with you in your sorrow.”

General Ridout writes:—

“He stood in the very front rank of his profession, and was loved by all. His loss is a great personal grief to me, and it is too sad for words to realize that such a noble life should have been sacrificed to murderers.”

Colonel Brownlow writes from Singapore:—

“His death is very deeply regretted here, as he was loved and respected by all who knew him. I regarded him as a very great personal friend, and had the highest admiration for him, both as an officer and in his private capacity, as one of the best and most lovable men I have ever met. His loss to the Service is great, and I am sure that he would have had a distinguished career.”



REGINALD HUGH GALWEY

LIEUTENANT E. GILBEY

Rifle Brigade

The Knoll 02'-05'

Aged 26

March 12th, 1915

YOUNGER son of Sir Walter Gilbey (O.H.), 2nd Baronet, Elsenham Hall, Essex, and 22 Down Street, Piccadilly.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Lieutenant Gilbey was gazetted to the 2nd Battalion of the Rifle Brigade, having formerly held a commission in the Grenadier Guards. He was killed in action at Neuve Chapelle on March 12th, 1915.

A corporal in his Platoon writes to his father:—

“I am proud to say that I was in Lieut. Gilbey’s Platoon from the day he joined us until the time he fell, a few feet from my side. We considered ourselves, with your son as our leader, the luckiest Platoon in the Regiment, if not in the whole Army. He was just like a father to us, and our interests were always his first thought. Each one of us would have followed him in the most forlorn hope had he wanted us. He was the bravest man I ever saw. . . . When we made the charge at 2 p.m. we were met by the most awful fire of shells and bullets, and Lieut. Gilbey was the first to leap over the parapet, and shouted to us to make for another parapet a hundred yards in front. Lots of men fell in that hundred yards. . . . The next instant I happened to look round, and there was your son, who had run back for about ten yards, in the open. He was bending over a young fellow, and the next second he fell. . . . He had been badly wounded some hours previously, but he refused to make his way to the dressing station, and so home to England, invalided.”



ERIC GILBEY

CAPTAIN F. E. GILL

Royal Engineers

Rendalls 96'-99'

Aged 32

Feb. 28th, 1915

ONLY son of Lieut.-Colonel John Whitcombe Gill, V.D., 4th V.B. Manchester Regiment, retired Cotton Manufacturer, and the late Sarah Jane, daughter of Edwin Hilton, Chairman of the Manchester and County Bank.

Captain Gill was gazetted to the Royal Monmouth Royal Engineers in 1901. When the South African War broke out he volunteered for service, and went to South Africa in 1902, being attached to the Cheshire Regiment. He obtained the King's Medal, and was gazetted Captain in 1903.

When the Militia was disbanded he joined the Reserve of Officers. On the outbreak of the War he was sent to Brompton Barracks, Chatham. Here he developed Cerebro-Meningitis, of which he died at Fort Pitt Military Hospital on February 28th, 1915.



FRANCIS EDWIN GILL

MAJOR T. P. GODMAN-DORINGTON

1st Dragoons

Druries 91¹-94³

Aged 37

Nov. 12th, 1914

THIRD SON of the late Major-General Richard Temple Godman, 15th Dragoon Guards, and Mrs. E. M. Godman, of Highden, Pulborough, Sussex, and 5 Upper Belgrave Street.

R.M.C., Sandhurst. Assumed the name of Dorington on succeeding to Lypiatt Park, Stroud, the estate of his godfather, the late Sir John Dorington.

Major Godman-Dorington joined the Royal Dragoons in 1897, and was promoted Captain in 1905. He served in the South African War, being present at the Battles of Colenso, Spion Kop, Vaal Krantz, Tugela Heights, Pieter's Hill, etc. (Queen's and King's medals and seven clasps). He had been acting latterly as Adjutant of the Sussex Yeomanry. He was killed in the 1st Battle of Ypres, on November 12th, 1914, shot by a sniper, while in the trenches.



THOMAS PHILIP GODMAN-DORINGTON

LIEUTENANT S. E. L. GORDON

Royal Fusiliers

Druries 06²-11²

Aged 22

March 13th, 1915

ELDER SON of Henry Laing Gordon, M.D., and Mrs. Gordon, of 27 Carrington Court, Mayfair.

Monitor, 1910. Harrow Scholar of Brasenose College, Oxford. B.A., 1914.

Lieutenant Gordon was gazetted to the 5th Battalion Royal Fusiliers in August, 1914; he was afterwards attached to the 4th Battalion, and went to the Front with them on December 3rd, 1914. He was killed in the front-line trenches at Ypres on March 13th, 1915.

His Colonel writes as follows:—

“He was indeed a natural soldier. Such charming gentlemen are now becoming rare, and his loss will be felt very much by the Regiment. He was greatly loved by his men, and had a happy tact in dealing with them that does credit to his Harrow education.”

His Major speaks thus:—

“I cannot tell you how much I feel his loss. He was always cheery and bright, and had no fear of anything, and whatever work he had to do, there was no fuss about it—he went off and did it. . . . I looked on him as one of my most experienced young officers.”

From his Captain come these words:—

“He had been an ideal subaltern in every respect, always willing and reliable: on several occasions he had been of real assistance in cases of difficulty. . . . He was a man without fear, and more than once I had to check his wishes to do something which, to my mind, might have cost him his life.”



SIDNEY EUSTACE LAING GORDON

LIEUTENANT R. C. GRAVES-SAWLE

Coldstream Guards

Druries 03^c-07^t

Aged 26

Nov. 2nd, 1914

ELDEST child and only son of Rear-Admiral Sir Charles Graves-Sawle, Bart., M.V.O., and of Lady Graves-Sawle.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1907. Joined the Coldstream in 1908. Assistant Adjutant for two years.

On the 6th August, 1914, he married Miss Heaton Ellis.

Lieutenant Graves-Sawle went to France with his Regiment on August 12th, 1914. He went through the Retreat from Mons and the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne, and was killed in action at Ypres under the following circumstances:—

He had taken charge of a Company which had lost its Captain, and was pinned to an advanced trench distant about 80 yards from a wood full of German snipers. A French attack had developed through our lines, but had been repulsed, with the result that the communication trenches were required to give shelter to the French. In order to make his way from the officers' dug-out to his Company, Lieut. Graves-Sawle had climbed on to the top of the communication trench when he was shot in the head by an explosive bullet from a sniper's rifle, and died about two hours later.

The following are tributes from all ranks:—

“He was one of the best and most thorough officers in the Battalion, and I am much lost without his services” (Colonel).

“He was a very great loss to me: we had been together in the Company since coming out” (Brother-Officer).

“A very considerate and capable officer” (Lance-Sergeant).

“We did everything in our power to bring him back to life, as we loved him so much, and he was an example to us all of the most wonderful bravery and unselfishness” (Stretcher-bearer).



RICHARD CHARLES GRAVES-SAWLE

2ND LIEUTENANT R. E. C. GROOME

Royal Field Artillery

Rendalls OS²-11²

Aged 20

March 4th, 1915

ONLY child of Harry Groome and Mrs. Groome, of Brooklands, Brockenhurst, Hants.

R.M.A., Woolwich, 1912.

Lieutenant Groome received his Commission in the Royal Field Artillery in January, 1914, and was attached to the 65th Battery. He left for the Front on August 17th, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons, and the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne. On March 3rd, 1915, he was mortally wounded under the following circumstances:—

A break was reported in the telephone communications with a forward observation station, which he had himself selected and connected some days earlier. He at once volunteered to repair the break, and started out, about 7 p.m., with one Bombardier. After repairing the wire, they were returning along the road from Ypres to Neuve Eglise, when a chance shell burst on to the road between them, severely wounding both men in the legs. They were found by a passing waggon, pluckily cheering one another. Lieut. Groome insisted on the Bombardier having the first drink and the first attendance, though he was himself more severely wounded. He was conveyed to hospital at Poperinghe, but the surgeons pronounced that an operation was impossible. On the morning of March 4th he succumbed to his wounds, cheerful to the last; indeed his last regret was that in being moved from the ambulance he had allowed one groan to escape his lips.

The Colonel commanding the 8th Brigade of Artillery writes:—"He was a most promising officer, cheery and full of pluck, and his loss is a severe one to the Brigade."

His Major writes:—"The whole Battery has had a great loss: he was so popular with all ranks. He had served throughout the War with the greatest credit and distinction, and it is only a few days ago that his name was noted for official recognition. Please accept from the officers, N.C.O.'s, gunners, drivers, and in fact every single man of the Battery, our deepest sympathy."



ROBERT EDWARD CHARLES GROOME

CAPTAIN J. A. HALLIDAY

11th Hussars

Church Hill 89²-94²

Aged 39

Nov. 13th, 1914

ELDEST SON of John and Maria Halliday, of Chicklade House, Salisbury. Cricket XI, 1893; Football XI, 1892-3; runner-up Public Schools' Heavy Weight Boxing Competition, 1893; winner, 1894; Trinity College, Cambridge; Inter-University Sports (Hammer Throwing), 1896-7; winner, 1897.

Captain Halliday joined the 11th Hussars in 1898, and served in India and on special service in the South African War (Queen's medal and five clasps). He obtained his Captaincy in 1905, and was Adjutant to his own Regiment from 1908 to 1911, and then for three years to the Leicestershire Yeomanry. He went out with the Expeditionary Force at the beginning of the War, and fought all through the Retreat from Mons, the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne, and the 1st Battle of Ypres. He was wounded at Messines on October 31st, and died, on November 13th, in the Duchess of Westminster's Hospital, Le Touquet.

"Alec" was brought over and buried in a lovely little country churchyard quite close to his father's house at Chicklade. A firing party from his old Regiment came over from Aldershot, and the "Last Post" was played over one of the most cheery, lion-hearted Englishmen that ever lived.



JOHN ALEXANDER HALLIDAY

LIEUTENANT THE HON. F. C. H. HANBURY-TRACY

Scots Guards

The Grove 96'-00"

Aged 32

Dec. 19th, 1914

THIRD SON of Charles, 4th Baron Sudeley, and Ada, only daughter of the Hon. Frederick Tollemache.

Passed 2nd into R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married Madeleine Llewellen, only daughter of Colonel George Llewellen Palmer, of Lackham, Lacock, Wilts, and leaves two sons.

Lieutenant Hanbury-Tracy was gazetted to the Scots Guards in 1903. He resigned his commission in 1907, and joined the Reserve of Officers. On the outbreak of the War he rejoined, and went to France with his Regiment in November, 1914. He was slightly wounded in the leg when he left the trenches for an attack, near Fromelles, on December 18th, 1914, and was again wounded in the thigh on reaching the German trenches, and was unable to move. One of his Sergeants who was also slightly wounded in the head wanted to help him back, but he told him to leave him where he was, and to go, as quickly as possible, to get reinforcements which were badly needed. He must have known that in doing this he was sacrificing his life. He was shortly after taken prisoner by the Germans, and died of his wounds in their hands the next day.

One of his Commanding Officers wrote :—

“T—— told me Felix was lying in front of the German trench, and some men wanted to carry him back, but Felix said ‘No.’ . . . It was a very gallant thing to do.”

Another officer wrote :—

“Poor Felix, as you have probably heard, has been killed. He led a charge against the German trenches and they got in. He was shot through both legs getting there, and most gallantly refused (so a kiddie Sergeant told me) to be bound up or moved till it was all over. I am sorry. I knew he would play the game to the end, and he did.”



THE HON. FELIX CHARLES HUBERT HANBURY-TRACY

LIEUTENANT R. D. S. HARDING

Bedfordshire Regiment

Rendalls 99¹-03⁷

Aged 29

Nov. 7th, 1914

ONLY son of S. G. Harding and Mrs. Harding, of 15 Lowndes Square, S.W.

Joined Lloyds in 1914.

Lieutenant Harding went to the Front in September, 1914, and was killed in action near Ypres on November 7th.

His Captain writes:—

“The enemy had broken through the line of trenches held by a battalion on our left, and its break caused a part of our trenches to be vacated also. Our Company was in reserve, and we formed up and brought off an entirely successful counter-attack, driving the enemy back, killing many and capturing twenty-five prisoners. It was in this counter-attack that Harding fell, leading his men up a lightly wooded hill. I did not see him fall, but missed him when we got to the ridge, and on going back found him quite dead; death had evidently been instantaneous. I had formed a very high opinion of his gallantry and coolness: I could rely on him always, and he had gained the confidence of his men, though he had only been with his Company about a month. He was always cheery and bright, and it was a real pleasure to have his company on the line of march or in the trenches.”



ROBERT DENIS STEWART HARDING

CAPTAIN H. V. HARE

Durham Light Infantry

Moretons 95²-99²

Aged 33

Sept. 20th, 1914

SECOND SON of the late Admiral the Hon. Richard Hare, R.N., and the Hon. Mrs. Hare.

Married, in 1909, Nellie, daughter of the late Sir Edward Hudson-Kinahan, Bart., and leaves a son and a daughter.

Captain Hare joined the Durham Light Infantry in 1900, became Adjutant in 1911, and Captain in 1912. He was killed at the Battle of the Aisne on September 20th, 1914.

His Colonel writes:—

“He was one of the very best—a very gallant gentleman—a good soldier (he was for some time Adjutant of his Battalion). He was dearly loved by officers and men, and his death has been a grievous loss to the Regiment. Long will little Bunny Hare be affectionately remembered by the Durhams.”



HENRY VIVIAN HARE

LIEUTENANT R. L. Q. HENRIQUES

Royal West Surrey Regiment

West Acre 98¹-01²

Aged 30

Sept. 14th, 1914

SECOND SON of the late David Quixano Henriques and of Agnes Charlotte Henriques, of 17 Sussex Square, Hyde Park, W.

Author of a *Guide to Army Signalling*.

From 1911 to 1914 Lieutenant Henriques served with his Regiment in Gibraltar, Bermuda, and South Africa. He was home from South Africa on leave at the outbreak of the War, and applied to be transferred from the 2nd to the 1st Battalion in order to go to the Front at once. He was all through the Retreat from Mons and the subsequent fighting, to the day of his death in the Battle of the Aisne.

A private in his Regiment writes as follows:—

“We started the advance, my Platoon about thirty yards behind, Mr. Henriques’ in support. We had just come up out of a valley when the Germans opened fire on us. However, we kept on advancing until we were about thirty yards from the enemy. We were all up in line, and I was the third man from Mr. Henriques. He just raised his head and shoulders and said ‘Advance’ when he was shot through the centre of the forehead.”

A brother-officer in the 2nd Battalion wrote:—

“The men worshipped him. . . . He commanded my Company in Bermuda and trained them there, and I am quite certain that no man ever took so much trouble to make his men efficient. He worked night and day for them, and was well repaid by their success and their devotion to him. . . . D. Company will give a great account of themselves, and it will be greatly due to the magnificent example set them by him whose gallant conduct was just what they expected.”

His Platoon Sergeant in the 2nd Battalion writes:—

“I must tell you he was sincerely loved by every N.C.O. and man of his Company, also the Regiment. . . . How we would have loved to have him lead us at the Front.”

Another man of the 2nd Battalion writes:—

“. . . for we all loved him . . . we said we would follow him anywhere on the field.”



RONALD LUCAS QUIXANO HENRIQUES

CAPTAIN S. F. A. A. HURT

Royal Scots Fusiliers

West Acre 93³-98²

Aged 35

Oct. 18th, 1914

SECOND son of Albert F. Hurt, J.P., D.L., of Alderwasley, Derbyshire, and of Alice, daughter of F. P. Delmé-Radcliffe, of Hitchin Priory, Herts. Cricket XI, 1897-8; Football XI, 1897.

Captain HURT joined the Royal Scots Fusiliers in 1899, and became Captain in 1911. The greater part of his service was in India.

He went out to France on September 8th, 1914, and was present at the Battle of the Aisne. Later on he was sent to the neighbourhood of La Bassée, and fell in action on October 18th, his 35th birthday. He was killed instantaneously, while leading his Company to an attack in the evening, after having been fighting all day since early morning. He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January 14th, 1915.



SEYMOUR FREDERICK AUCKLAND ALBERT HURT

CAPTAIN J. B. JENKINSON

Rifle Brigade

The Head Master's 95²-98³

Aged 33

Sept. 14th, 1914

ELDEST son of Sir George Banks Jenkinson (O.H.), 12th Baronet, and Lady Jenkinson, of Eastwood, Falfield.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1899.

Married, in 1907, Joan, only daughter of Colonel J. Hill, C.B., of Wollaston Hall, Wellingborough, and leaves a son, the present Baronet, who succeeded his grandfather in 1915, and a daughter.

Captain Jenkinson joined the Rifle Brigade in 1899; Captain, 1908; General Staff Officer, Eastern Command, 1912; Brigade Major 3rd Infantry Brigade, 1913; Staff College Graduate. He served in the South African War with the Mounted Infantry, and obtained the Queen's medal with five clasps. A very enthusiastic sportsman, fond of hunting, shooting and polo, he was especially keen on shooting expeditions abroad, and when able to do so, always spent his leave on such expeditions and trips to the Rockies, Caucasian Mountains, Asia Minor and North Africa. He had collected many good heads and trophies, and a great number of birds, natural history being his special hobby. He was a real lover of flowers and gardening.

He went to France, as Brigade-Major, in August, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons, and the Battle of the Aisne, at which he was killed. His last words were "Fight on." He was buried at Vendresse. He was mentioned in Despatches on October 19th, 1914.

A friend writes:—

"I knew him well, as he and I went to Harrow the same day and shared a room at the Head Master's House. He was just as brave as a lion; he did not know what fear meant."



JOHN BANKS JENKINSON

CAPTAIN C. A. LAFONE, D.S.O.

Devonshire Regiment

Church Hill 90²-94¹

Aged 38

March 14th, 1915

ELDER SON of A. W. Lafone, Springfield, Walton-on-Thames.

Captain Lafone joined the Army in 1897, and served throughout the South African War, obtaining his Company in 1901. He was mentioned in Despatches, and obtained the Queen's medal with five clasps and the King's medal with two clasps. He had been on active service with the Expeditionary Force in France since November 8th, 1914, and his D.S.O. was granted for "Conspicuous gallantry on the night of December 18th, 1914, near Neuve Chapelle, in capturing a trench from the enemy." He was serving with his Regiment, the 2nd Devons, when he was killed by a chance bullet through the parapet on March 14th, 1915.

The following are extracts from letters received :—

"We have lost our best Company Commander, and one whose place cannot be filled during the War" (his Colonel).

"His Regiment has lost its best Captain and I my best pal."

"We have lost the most charming, gallant officer the Regiment could wish to have."

"Captain Lafone's presence in our midst under all circumstances was always a tower of strength. The confidence which he inspired in us was sufficient to carry us anywhere" (N.C.O.'s and men of his Company).

". . . He was simply magnificent in an attack."

"During the whole of his service he helped (like his uncle) to make the Devon Regiment great in the eyes of its Country and Nation."

"His loss to the Regiment is too dreadful, and the whole of our Brigade, from the Brigadier downwards, feel it much."

"I was in his Company for nearly a year, and I shall never forget how competent and just he was, and how much we all liked him in consequence."



CLAUDE ALEXANDER LAFONE

CAPTAIN R. O. LAGDEN

King's Royal Rifle Corps

Harrow Master 1912-1914

Aged 25

Feb., 1915

ELDEST SON of Sir Godfrey Lagden, K.C.M.G., and Lady Lagden.

Educated at Marlborough School, 1903-1908, where he represented the School at Cricket, Football, Hockey, Racquets, and Fives. Oriel College, Oxford, 1908. University Cricket XI, 1909-10-11-12; Rugby XV, 1909-10-11; Hockey, 1909-10-11-12; Racquets, 1909; Rugby International.

Captain Lagden joined the Supernumerary Army Reserve in 1912: at the outbreak of the War, upon the nomination of General Sir Edward Hutton, he was appointed to the 6th Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps, at Sheerness, where he did remarkable work and was esteemed "a first-rate officer."

An account in the King's Royal Rifle Corps *Chronicle*, 1915, says of him:—

"Proceeding to France at the end of February, 1915, he was posted to the 4th Battalion, and a few days later was called upon to lead his Company in an assault on the German trenches at St. Eloi. 'He behaved with the utmost gallantry,' wrote his Colonel; 'the task was an impossible one, and D Company did all that was humanly possible to carry it out.' When last seen he was lying badly wounded on the parapet of the German trench, and although reported as 'wounded and missing,' there is little hope of his survival. He died as he had lived, a hero among his fellows.

"Coming direct from Harrow, where as Assistant Masters their sympathies and interests were identical, the two friends, Charles Eyre and Ronald Lagden, are essentially types of British manhood, which the Public School and University life of England has produced in such numbers to fight for the Empire in the hour of her peril. . . . Athletes of superlative excellence, scholars of high degree, conscious of their own physical strength and mental culture, both had been habituated from boyhood to lead, and to gain the confidence of their fellows. . . . Such heroic spirits are of their very nature ideal officers and leaders of men."

Of the only two survivors who were taken prisoners in that attack, one, a corporal, wrote from Germany:—

"Captain Lagden, who was well away in front, was the first man to fall. I went and offered help, but he told me to go on with my men: then I saw him get up and struggle forward, but he was again wounded, and fell."



RONALD OWEN LAGDEN

2ND LIEUTENANT A. H. LANG

Grenadier Guards

Church Hill 04²-09²

Aged 24

Jan. 25th, 1915

YOUNGEST SON of the late Basil Lang, Advocate-General of Bombay, and Mrs. Lang.

Head of his House, 1907-8-9. Cricket XI, 1906-7-8-9; Captain, 1908-9. Represented the School at both Racquets and Fives; won the Challenge Racquet twice and the Ebrington Racquet Cup once. Had a share in winning the Fives Shield four times, the Racquet Cup twice, and the Torpid Fives twice. Took part in the Cock House Match every summer he was at Harrow.

Trinity College, Cambridge: represented the University at Racquets in 1913, and the same year kept wicket at Lord's in the University Match.

On the outbreak of the War 2nd Lieutenant Lang obtained a Commission in the Grenadier Guards, being subsequently attached to the 1st Scots Guards. He went to the Front on December 29th, 1914, and was killed in Cuinchy, Flanders, on January 25th, 1915, whilst helping to hold the front-line trenches against overwhelming odds. He was reported 'missing,' and for many months hopes were entertained that he was still alive.

To his personal qualities testimony enough is borne by the number and the warm affection of his friends—friends who, like Geoffrey Hopley, knew how to value his high sense of honour and unruffled temper. None could know him well without a deep affection for the loyalty of his nature, the quiet sense of humour (always ready to see a joke against himself), and above all for his simple unquestioning obedience to duty whenever duty called.



ARTHUR HORACE LANG

LIEUTENANT T. E. LAWSON-SMITH

13th Hussars

Rendalls 04*-08*

Aged 25

Oct. 13th, 1914

ELDER SON of E. M. Lawson-Smith, of Cotton Lodge, Tadcaster, Yorks. Cricket XI, 1908. R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1908-9.

When the War broke out, Lieutenant Lawson-Smith was travelling home on sick leave (after enteric) from his Regiment in India. He at once volunteered for service, and was temporarily attached to the 11th Hussars. On October 13th he was working in the trenches, when one of the enemy's 16-inch shells dropped right into the trench, burying him with some six others under a mass of earth, so that death must have been instantaneous.

A brother-officer writes:—

“The fighting at Messines was desperate, and tremendous efforts were required of the troops to hold it. . . . You cannot imagine what his loss means to the whole Regiment, which had every reason to be proud of him. ‘Tommy’ was the life and soul of everything; the whole of India knew Tommy and loved him; he was always the same—keen, cheery, and absolutely fearless.”

Colonel Pitman, C.O. 11th Hussars, in France, writes to his mother:—

“I hope it will be a comfort to you to know that your son had done most awfully well, and only a few days before I had written to Colonel Brooke to ask him to send me some more of the same sort. He knew no fear. Wherever he went his men followed him.”

Colonel A. Symons, C.O. 13th Hussars, writes:—

“He was just the kind of officer that we badly need—gallant, unselfish, and shrewd, always respected by the men and by his brother-officers.”



THOMAS EDWARD LAWSON-SMITH

LIEUTENANT F. C. LEDGARD

Yorkshire Regiment

Newlands 05³-09³

Aged 23

Oct. 22nd, 1914

FOURTH SON of Armitage Ledgard (O.H.) and Helen Ledgard, The Manor House, Thorner, Yorkshire.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1910.

Lieutenant Ledgard joined the 2nd Battalion in 1911, and left with his Regiment for the Front on October 4th, 1914. Three weeks later, on October 22nd, he was killed at Ypres, when in charge of the Machine Gun Section.

A private of his Regiment gave the following account of his death:—

“Another very brave man was Lieutenant Ledgard. On the day of a big German attack in October he was in command of the two Machine Guns and some Artillery, and every few minutes he had to change the position of the guns. Backwards and forwards along the trenches, from one position to another, he was running with the heavy machine gun over his shoulder and the perspiration streaming down his face. Man after man in his section was hit, as they mowed down the German Infantry, and eventually they were all out of action, except Lieutenant Ledgard and Private Norfolk. Almost at nightfall the officer was hit by a shell, and he died—a great loss in the eyes of every ‘Green Howard.’”

The Adjutant of his Regiment writes:—

“The Regiment has lost in him a fine and most gallant officer, and one that we shall not be able to replace. Up to the time of his death he had done most excellent work in every way, and was here, there, and everywhere doing damage with his machine gun. I was next to him when he was hit. He was killed instantaneously and suffered no pain. Your son was carrying his gun to a more advanced position, when he was hit; the M.G. section had done great slaughter in this business before your son was killed. He died a splendid death, and we all feel proud of him.”

He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January 14th, 1915.



FRANK COOPER LEDGARD

MAJOR CHANDOS LEIGH, D.S.O.

King's Own Scottish Borderers

Elmfield 87³-90³

Aged 37

Aug. 23rd, 1914

ELDER SON of the Hon. Sir E. Chandos Leigh, K.C.B., K.C., and Lady Leigh, of 45 Upper Grosvenor Street, W.

In 1912 he married Winifred, daughter of the late Right Hon. A. F. Jeffreys, of Burkham, Hampshire.

Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

After leaving Cambridge, Major Leigh entered the King's Own Scottish Borderers through the Warwickshire Militia, in 1895. As a subaltern he served with the Mounted Infantry in South Africa, being mentioned in Despatches and receiving the D.S.O., medal and six clasps. For his services in the Egyptian Army from 1902-1912 he received the Osmanieh and Medjidieh Orders, as well as the medal and clasp for the Bahr-el-Ghazal Expedition of 1905-1906. He was a fine horseman and polo player, and was well known on the Cairo Turf, where he more than once headed the winning list of steeplechase riders, both amateur and professional.

At Mons, Major Leigh, though severely wounded, not in the trenches but in the open, ordered his men to retire across the canal and leave him where he was, so that there should be no delay in blowing up the bridge in face of the advancing Germans. News was received later that he had died and was buried at Boussu, shortly afterwards.

He was the first Old Harrovian to fall in the war.



CHANDOS LEIGH

CAPTAIN M. LLOYD

Northumberland Fusiliers

Small Houses 97²-00¹

Aged 31

March 15th, 1915

FOURTH son of Richard Borrodaile Lloyd and Catherine Jean Campbell Lloyd.

At the time of mobilization was acting as Land Agent to Mr. Longford Brooke, in Cheshire.

Captain Lloyd joined the old 5th (Militia) Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers in 1900, and saw service in the South African War (King's medal). He was gazetted to a Captaincy in the 3rd Battalion in November, 1905, and was transferred to the Special Reserve in 1908. He went to France with the 1st Battalion on December 4th, 1914, and was mortally wounded at Ypres on March 4th, 1915.



MERVYN LLOYD

LIEUTENANT F. LONGMAN

Royal Fusiliers

Rendalls 03³-07³

Aged 24

Oct. 18th, 1914

SECOND son of C. J. Longman (O.H.), of Upp Hall, Braughing, Herts, and partner in Messrs. Longmans, Green and Co., 39 Paternoster Row, and of Harriet Ann Longman.

Football XI, 1907; Dolphin, 1907; Champion Feather-weight Boxer, 1907. Pembroke College, Cambridge.

Lieutenant Longman was killed in action on October 18th, 1914, at Herlies, in N. France. He had been previously wounded in the arm (with four other bullets through his clothes) at the Battle of the Marne; but he rejoined after a short stay in a base hospital.

His Colonel (since killed in action) wrote:—

“Please accept my deepest sympathy and be consoled with the thought that his work on active service was as sound and valuable as his conduct has been brave and dutiful. His rapid return to duty after the wound received on crossing the Marne marked him specially as a genuine soldier, and his loss will be very much felt by all of us, professionally and socially.”

A brother-officer writes:—

“He was always cheery, and it did us all good to see the way he did his job, and never grumbled at anything. He was one of the gallantest fellows I ever saw, and nothing ever frightened him. We are all proud of him, and his name will always go on in the Regiment’s history as a hero.”

Captain Cooper, 4th Battalion Royal Fusiliers, writes:—

“One couldn’t want a more excellent companion or a braver fellow, always absolutely cool and unruffled, and the most cheery person imaginable under most trying circumstances, and I can hardly tell you what a lot this latter means on a show like this.”

Captain Hill, Adjutant of the 4th Royal Fusiliers, writes:—

“I, unfortunately, was not present when he fought in the Southern Command Boxing Meeting, but Corporal Campbell of the Gordons, who is one of the Army’s most expert judges, told me that his fight was the finest thing he had ever seen, and he held it up to the men as an example of British pluck and endurance. A crowded house cheered him to the echo.”



FREDERICK LONGMAN

MAJOR C. E. LUARD, D.S.O.

Norfolk Regiment

The Knoll 90^a-94^b

Aged 38

Sept. 15th, 1914

ELDER son of General Charles Edward Luard, R.E., F.R.G.S., and Mrs. Luard, daughter of Thomas Hartley, of Gilfoot, Cumberland.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1895.

Married, in 1913, Dorothy Frances, youngest daughter of Major William Barrett, J.P., D.L., of Moredon, Taunton, and leaves one son.

Major Luard joined the Norfolk Regiment in 1896, and became Captain in 1905. He served in British Central Africa in 1899; in Ashanti in 1900, where he was severely wounded and mentioned in Despatches; and in Somaliland, 1903-4. He passed the Staff College and gained his D.S.O. in 1901. He went to the Front in August, 1914, and was all through the Retreat from Mons. He was first reported 'missing,' but is now known to have been killed during an attack on Chivres Hill, near Missy-sur-Aisne, on September 15th. He was again mentioned in Despatches.



CHARLES ELMHIRST LUARD

LIEUT.-COLONEL COLIN MCLEAN

Gordon Highlanders (T.F.)

Moretons 87²-91³

Aged 41

March 13th, 1915

ELDEST son of Neil McLean, of Breda, Alford, Aberdeenshire.

Married, in 1901, Isabel, daughter of W. L. McNeill, and leaves a daughter and a son.

Colonel McLean joined the Black Watch in 1893, serving with them in the South African War (Queen's and King's medals). He retired in 1909 with the rank of Captain, receiving the command of the 6th Territorial Battalion Gordon Highlanders. He went to France on November 9th, 1914, and was killed at Neuve Chapelle on March 13th, 1915, while commanding his Regiment.



COLIN MCLEAN

2ND LIEUTENANT I. A. MACRAE

King's Own Scottish Borderers

The Grove 09^t-13^t

Aged 19

Oct. 14th, 1914

ONLY son of Donald M. and Rosalie MacRae, of Stenhouse, Thornhill, Dumfries-shire.

After leaving Harrow, 2nd Lieutenant MacRae travelled for a year in France, and was gazetted to the 3rd Battalion K.O.S.B. in January, 1914. He was transferred to the 2nd Battalion in April, and left with them for France on September 8th, 1914. He was present at the Battle of the Aisne, and then moved to La Bassée. He was wounded near Cuinchy while leading his Company on October 13th. All but one of his senior officers having been killed the day before, his Company was ordered to advance; he had only gone fifty yards when he was shot through the head. He lay out from 5 a.m. till night, and died from his wounds at Bethune on October 14th, 1914.

One of his men writes:—

“They were occupying a forward position, and Lieut. MacRae kept moving about amongst those under his charge. This exposed him to a great deal of danger, as German snipers were active, and he was struck while changing his position from one point to another. His men would have done anything for him, and if he gave an order, he gave it pleasantly, and was always smiling and cheery. If Lieut. MacRae ordered his men to advance, he was always in front trying to find cover for them or as sheltered a position as possible.”

An officer writes:—

“ . . . Most gallant, and by his bearing inspired confidence in men many years his seniors.”



IVOR ALEXANDER MACRAE

CAPTAIN A. V. MAKANT
Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (T.F.)

The Park 03²-08²

Aged 26

March 14th, 1915

SECOND SON of John William and Florence Mary Makant, of Gilnow Lodge, Bolton.

Monitor, 1906 ; Cricket XI, 1907-8 ; Football XI, 1905-6-7 (Captain, 1907).

Clare College, Cambridge.

Captain Makant was gazetted to a Lieutenancy on October 1st, 1911, and was promoted Captain on December 23rd, 1914.

C Company of the 5th Battalion, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, was engaged trench-digging on the night of Saturday, March 13th, 1915, and received a good deal of attention from enemy marksmen. Captain Makant was shot through the head at about 3.30 on Sunday morning, and died in hospital at 9.30. His younger brother, Lieut. R. K. Makant, had been summoned to his side, but Captain Makant never recovered consciousness after the bullet struck him.

His Commanding Officer wrote :—

“The Battalion has lost an excellent officer by the death of Angus V. Makant. He was loved and respected by all ranks.”

From the *Harrovian* :—

“Straight, loyal and sympathetic, a natural leader, caring little for what others thought of him, he did more for the School and his house than he was perhaps aware of himself. It is not therefore surprising to learn of the affection felt for him by the men in his father’s works in Lancashire, which he entered on leaving Cambridge about five years ago, or again that ‘in his Regiment he was looked up to by his men, who, whenever in any trouble, came to him for advice.’”



ANGUS VIRTUE MAKANT

CAPTAIN C. O'B. H. METHUEN

Royal Warwickshire Regiment

The Park 90²-92¹

Aged 38

Oct. 20th, 1914

ELDEST son of the late Colonel C. L. Methuen, commanding 1st Volunteer Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment (Bristol Rifles), and formerly of the 79th Cameron Highlanders, and of the late Mrs. Methuen.

Captain Methuen joined the Royal Warwickshire Regiment in 1898, from the Militia. As his Regiment was not ordered to sail at the beginning of the South African War, he volunteered for service and was attached to the Royal Irish Fusiliers, with whom he was present at the Battle of Colenso. Later, when his own Regiment was sent out, he rejoined it, and served through the remainder of the war with the 4th Mounted Infantry, receiving the Queen's medal and five clasps, and the King's medal and two clasps.

He was at Malta when the War broke out, and returned to England with his Regiment in September, 1914, sailing for France with the 7th Division the following month. He was in the 1st Battle of Ypres, where the Regiment lost all their officers but one junior subaltern, killed, wounded, or missing. He was shot through the head while looking over a trench on October 20th, 1914, near Zonnebeke, only a fortnight after going to the Front.

The following are extracts from the letters of brother-officers:—

“His loss was very keenly felt by everyone, as you know he was by far the most popular officer in the Regiment.”

“The Regiment will miss him awfully, he was quite the most popular officer we had, both with officers and men.”

“I know it is quite unnecessary to tell you how much I personally shall miss him, and I know I am only one, among the many who have known him, who will deplore the loss as a friend of his most charming, unselfish personality. I am confident his end has been the one he would have chosen. We all knew he was a gallant soldier, without fear of any kind.”



CAMERON O'BRIEN HARFORD METHUEN

CAPTAIN E. C. MILLER

Loyal North Lancashire Regiment

Druries 93'-96°

Aged 36

Oct. 23rd, 1914

SECOND son of the late William Pitt Miller (O.H.), Merlewood, Grange-over-Sands, and of Thistleton, Kirkham, Lancashire.

Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A., 1901.

Married, in 1913, Miss Bernard, of Cop Dock, Suffolk.

Captain Miller joined the 3rd Battalion of the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (S.R.) in 1902, and was promoted Captain in 1906. He was a keen rifle shot, being one of the founders of the Grange Rifle Club, and himself won prizes both at Bisley and Altcar. When War broke out he went down to Felixstowe, as part of the Coast Defence Force, where his knowledge of the country, previously gained in staff-rides, was invaluable. He went to the Front in September, 1914, to join the 1st Battalion of his Regiment, and was killed in action on October 23rd, during the successful attack near Bixschoote.

His Colonel writes:—

“Captain Miller was serving with the 1st Battalion when he was killed; he fell while leading a party of his men in the endeavour to capture a machine gun on October 23rd. His death was a great loss to both Battalions, and was deeply regretted by all ranks. He was one of the finest fellows I have ever had the good fortune to know. His upright and steadfast character, and hatred of anything mean or paltry, combined with a genial and sympathetic nature, has left behind him, in the memory of his friends, an example and an influence which will long survive him.”

Captain R. E. Crane, a brother-officer who saw him fall, writes:—

“Dear old Tubs died, just as everyone who knew him would have expected, leading on his men in the attack, and setting an example of courage and coolness which went far to bring success to the day's operations, and which was worthy of the highest traditions of the Regiment.”



ERNEST CYRIL MILLER

CAPTAIN W. G. MONTGOMERIE

Leinster Regiment

The Grove 91^s-93^t

Aged 36

Oct. 20th, 1914

SON of Mrs. Montgomerie, Wrotham, Kent.

Captain Montgomerie joined the Leinster Regiment in 1897, and was promoted Captain in 1903. He was wounded at Premesque, it is believed, on October 19th, and died thirty-six hours later at Armentières, where he is buried.



WILLIAM GRAHAM MONTGOMERIE

2ND LIEUTENANT E. D. MURRAY

19th Hussars

The Head Master's 063-103

Aged 21

Oct. 16th, 1914

SECOND son of Sir George Sheppard Murray, of Cleveland House, St. James' Square, S.W., late unofficial member of the Legislative Council, Singapore, Straits Settlements, and of Lady Murray.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

2nd Lieutenant Murray joined the 19th Hussars in 1913. He went to France in August, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons, and the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne. He was killed in action while on patrol duty near Le Bizet on October 16th, 1914. He had led out his troop to reconnoitre near the cross-roads, a quarter of a mile from Le Bizet. Leaving his men under cover, he proceeded alone to look for some German trenches, which had been reported near the village. On leaving the shelter of some houses, he was fired on and seen to fall. Sergeant Brunton and Private Jerome, of his Squadron, tried to effect a rescue, but were driven back by heavy fire : for this act they both received the D.C.M.

Major McClure, of the 18th Hussars, writes to his father :—

“Your son is a great loss to me. He came out as a recruit and grew into a good officer, with a very gallant heart.”

Captain Lyon, of the 18th Hussars, writes to his father :—

“Major McClure, I know, wrote to you of his gallant death. I wish there were more as brave as your son.”

A Lance-Corporal in his Squadron writes :—

“We all feel the great loss of Mr. Murray, to whom we were so much attached.”



ERIC DENNYS MURRAY

CAPTAIN N. NEILL

13th Hussars

Rendalls 94³-97³

Aged 33

Nov. 6th, 1914

YOUNGEST son of the late Robert Neill and Mrs. Neill. Began life as an artist, and studied at the Slade School.

Married, in 1910, Eleanor de Courcy, second daughter of the late Major-General Sir Gerald de Courcy Morton, K.C.I.E., C.B., and leaves one daughter.

Captain Neill was gazetted to the 19th Hussars from the Militia in 1902, becoming Adjutant in 1910; in this year he transferred to the 13th Hussars, and was promoted Captain. He served in the South African campaign, and held the Queen's medal with four clasps. He was a member of the General Staff, and was appointed Brigade Major to the Household Cavalry Brigade, commanded by General Kavanagh, shortly before it sailed.

He went to France early in October, 1914, and was wounded in almost the first engagement. After a stay in the Casino Hospital at Boulogne he returned to the Front at the beginning of November.

He was killed on November 6th, 1914, near Klein Zillebeke, leading a successful advance of the Cavalry Brigade to support the French, who were being pressed back by overwhelming numbers.

Major-General Sir Philip Chetwode, former Colonel 19th Hussars, writes :—

“ I had always hoped to see him in the place his brains entitled him to; he is a great loss to the Army and to his Country.”

Brigadier-General Taylor, former Colonel 13th Hussars, writes :—

“ As a soldier he was brilliant as he was brave, and had he been spared I am sure there was a brilliant career before him. I know full well how the Regiment all loved him, and how deeply grieved they will be to hear of his death.”

General Kavanagh, commanding 6th Cavalry Brigade, writes :—

“ His death, I think, must have been instantaneous and without pain, as I saw him two minutes after he was hit, and I am sure it was the death he would have chosen, as the last thing he saw was the Brigade advancing successfully. . . . They were complimented on their work that day by Sir John French, and that they did it well was in a great measure due to the help he gave them. He is a great loss to the Army generally and this Staff in particular, and we are all very low about it.”



NORMAN NEILL

CAPTAIN H. L. F. NICHOLLS

Northumberland Fusiliers

Newlands 99³-02³

Aged 29

Feb. 25th, 1915

ONLY son of Colonel and Mrs. Nicholls, of Culverland, Shedfield, Botleigh.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married the only daughter of Captain and Mrs. Schuyter, and leaves one daughter.

Captain Nicholls was gazetted to the Northumberland Fusiliers in 1906. He served with the 2nd Battalion at Aldershot, Dover, and Sheffield. He was then appointed Adjutant of the 9th Territorial Battalion of the King's Liverpool Regiment. He was gazetted Captain in 1914, and on November 1st, 1914, joined the 1st Battalion of his Regiment in France. He was killed near Ypres by a stray bullet on February 25th, 1915, just as he had finished a tour of inspection of the trenches. He represented his Regiment at Golf, Cricket and Tennis, and was one of the finest left-handed golfers in England, being a plus handicap at Westward Ho!

His Colonel wrote of him that he had not only lost one of his best and most promising officers, but also a great personal friend, whose loss was untold.

In the *St. George's Gazette* he was mentioned as being one of the cheeriest and kindest-hearted men that one could wish to meet, and was one of those few men about whom one could say he had not an enemy in the world. However difficult or serious a job he had to tackle, he made light of it, putting his whole heart and soul into it.



HENRY LEWIN FAULCONER NICHOLLS

LIEUTENANT A. K. NICHOLSON

18th Hussars

Druries 08¹-11²

Aged 21

Oct. 31st, 1914

ONLY son of Herbert Nicholson, C.C., J.P. for Kent, and of Hetta Nicholson, of Bidborough Hall, Tunbridge Wells.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1911-12.

Lieutenant Nicholson went to the Front on August 15th, 1914. On the morning of October 31st the Regiment was holding a line of trenches near St. Eloi, when Lieut. Nicholson put his head over the parapet for an instant, to search the Front with his glasses. He was instantaneously killed by a sharpshooter, who had taken post during the night in a house about 150 yards off.

The following extracts are from letters received:—

“His troop were devoted to him, as he was always most thoughtful for their welfare and comfort. I found him most gallant, always ready and keen for any risky patrol work, though he naturally hated killing and the horrors of war (as we all do). I am afraid I shall never be able to replace him in my Squadron” (Squadron Leader).

“He was most popular with his men, and his example under fire was magnificent all through the War” (Adjutant).

“Only the night before he died he offered to take out his gun and storm a château where the Germans were fixing a machine gun, 400 yards from our trenches” (Brigade-Major).

“I had great hopes of him as a soldier, and he had made such strides with his work and was doing so well, that I feel sure he would have made his name in the Army at a future date. I always considered him one of my best officers, and both professionally and socially have liked him so much” (Colonel).

“He was an extraordinarily able and conscientious officer, respected and loved by all who knew him. He is an almost irreparable loss to the Squadron and the Regiment” (Major).



ARTHUR KNIGHT NICHOLSON

LIEUTENANT B. OSBORNE

15th Hussars

The Knoll 02'-06³

Aged 25

Nov. 11th, 1914

YOUNGER son of the late Captain Frank Osborne, late 13th Hussars, and Mrs. Osborne, of Harbury Hall, Leamington.

Monitor, 1906; Cricket XI, 1906; Football XI, 1906; Racquet Player, 1906.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1907 (Sword of Honour).

Lieutenant Osborne joined the 15th Hussars in 1908, and was gazetted temporary Captain in 1914, four days after his death. He won the largest number of first spears in pigsticking at Muttra, represented his Regiment at Polo, and was in the winning team in the Inter-Regimental Tournament in South Africa in 1911, and in England in 1913. He was No. 1 in the Cavalry Club team which won the Ranelagh Open Cup in 1914, and was handicapped at 7 points.

He went to France in August, 1914, with the Regimental Machine Guns, and was attached to Captain Courage's Squadron, acting as Divisional Cavalry to the 3rd Division. He was sent up to the front-line trenches with his Machine Guns at Haerentage Château, east of Ypres, on the night of the 10th-11th November. He was reported 'missing' on the morning of the 11th, and as those trenches were lost, nothing was heard till March, 1915, when a letter from a private in his Machine Gun Section (a prisoner) informed his mother that he had been shot through the forehead about 7 a.m. on November 11th, 1914.



BRIAN OSBORNE

LIEUTENANT G. C. L. OTTLEY, D.S.O.

Scots Guards

The Knoll 10²-13³

Aged 18

Dec. 21st, 1914

ONLY child of Rear-Admiral Sir Charles Ottley, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O., and of Lady Ottley.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1914.

Lieutenant Ottley joined the Scots Guards on October 1st, 1914, and went out to France a month later. He was promoted Lieutenant on December 10th (antedated to November 9th), mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch on January 14th, 1915, and was awarded the D.S.O. "for conspicuous gallantry." He fell mortally wounded while leading an attack on the enemy's trenches on December 18th, and died in the Australian Hospital at Wimereux on December 21st.

The O.C. 2nd Scots Guards writes:—

"He is a very gallant fellow, and I have mentioned him in my report to the General. I was very sorry to lose his services; we can ill spare out here boys of his pluck and grit."

A Captain in the Regiment writes:—

"We are all very sorry indeed to hear of Ottley's death. He was hard-working and capable, and mad keen."

A Lieutenant writes:—

"I am sure nobody in the Regiment deserved it [the D.S.O.] more than he did, and I am sure everyone who was out there with him thinks the same."

Another Lieutenant writes:—

"I have twice personally heard our Brigadier speak with the greatest admiration of the work he has done, scouting at night up to the German trenches; and the last time he said, 'Young Ottley is a capital boy, I wish we had more like him.'"

His servant writes:—

"No one could have been more anxious or fearless in his duty, always eager to run risks for the others' good, and his men knew it."



GEOFFREY CLAUDE LANGDALE OTTLEY

2ND LIEUTENANT W. F. PARRISS

Middlesex Regiment

High Street 06³-09³

Aged 21

March 15th, 1915

YOUNGEST son of the late J. W. Parriss and Mrs. Parriss, of Ardagh, Willesden Lane, N.W.

When the War broke out, 2nd Lieutenant Parriss joined the H.A.C. as a private, and went out to France on September 18th, 1914, being in the trenches for some months. He was then given a commission in the 3rd Middlesex, but shortly afterwards was killed in action in Flanders, while holding an advanced trench on the 15th March, 1915. He is buried at Kemmel.

His C.O. Lieut.-Colonel Stephenson (since killed) wrote of him :—

“He was so willing, so ready to do anything, so brave and keen that we shall miss him very much ; although he had been so short a time with us he was very popular : a gallant boy with all the courage of his race.”



WALTER FREDERICK PARRISS

2ND LIEUTENANT J. D. PATTESON

5th Dragoon Guards

The Head Master's 04²-07¹

Aged 25

Oct. 14th, 1914

ELDEST son of the late Colonel Henry Tyrwhitt Stainforth Patteson (O.H.), J.P., D.L., of Beeston St. Andrew Hall, Norwich.

Trinity College, Cambridge. B.A., 1910.

2nd Lieutenant Patteson joined the 5th Dragoon Guards (S.R.) in 1910. He went to the Front on August 16th, 1914, and was with the Regiment up to the time of his death. He was through the Retreat from Mons, and the Battles of Le Cateau, the Marne and the Aisne. He was killed in the early morning of October 14th, 1914, at Vieille Chapelle.



JOHN DOSSIE PATTESON

MAJOR C. V. N. PERCIVAL

Rifle Brigade

The Head Master's 86³-88³

Aged 42

Dec. 14th, 1914

ELDEST surviving son of Major-General Lewis Percival, the Rifle Brigade, and Isabella Agnes Percival, only daughter of Major-General W. E. A. Elliott.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1889.

Major Percival was gazetted to the Rifle Brigade in 1892, became Lieutenant in 1895, Captain in 1900, and Major in 1909. For services in British Central Africa in 1899 he received the medal with clasp, and gained a similar decoration for services in Southern Nigeria in 1901-2. He was employed with the Egyptian Army from 1905 to 1912, being promoted Bey and Senior Inspector in the Soudan Civil Administration in 1908, and Acting Governor, Halfa Province, in 1911.

He went to France with his Regiment in November, 1914, and was shot through the heart and killed instantaneously, while superintending a digging party at night, near Laventie. He was buried in the cemetery Rue Tilleloy.

The following are extracts from letters received :—

“He was the best officer I had in the Battalion, and has done wonders with his Company. He was a very dear personal friend, and I thought the world of him as a soldier. He had just come up to Head-quarters as Second-in-command.”

“Claud is far the best officer in the Battalion ; his arrangements are perfect, and his men are the fittest and the best behaved.”

“We all deplore his loss, and he will be sadly missed both as a soldier and as a friend.”

“He was one of the best officers in his Battalion, always ready for any hazardous enterprise, always cheerful under hardship. I can't tell you how we shall miss him in my Brigade.”



CLAUD VICTOR NOBLE PERCIVAL

CAPTAIN C. H. PETO

10th Hussars

Elmfield 98²-01

Aged 30

Nov. 17th, 1914

YOUNGEST SON of William Herbert Peto, of Dunkinty, Elgin, and of his wife Kate, daughter of the late Sir Robert Palmer Harding, and grandson of the late Sir S. Morton Peto, Bart.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Peto joined the 10th Hussars in 1904, and was promoted Lieutenant in 1905, and Captain in 1910. He was a great hunter, and travelled from India, through Kashmir and Turkestan, to Siberia, accompanied only by natives, getting many fine heads. He also shot lions in Northern Rhodesia. In regimental races at Rawal Pindi and Mhow he rode many winners.

He went to the Front on October 6th, 1914, with his Regiment, and was killed in action on November 17th, 1914, while in command of C Squadron, at the first Battle of Ypres. The Germans had made a strong attack and he had allowed them to come within five yards of his trench before giving the order to fire: he then led his Squadron in pursuit, and was shot through the head by a sniper.

His Colonel wrote to his father:—

“There was no better soldier in the Army, or a better fellow than your son. . . . All the time he was under me, I have never known him cavil or grumble at any order, however unpleasant.”

The Officer commanding the Regiment on the day of his death wrote:—

“He met his death commanding his own Squadron, which he had trained so well in South Africa, in repelling a fierce attack of the Germans.”

A private of the 14th Hussars, who was wounded on the same day, wrote:—

“We came under a very heavy shell and rifle fire. . . . I saw two officers jump out of the trench and run towards us. They dragged me to the trench by the arms. . . . The officers were two brothers, Captain C. and Lieutenant R. Peto, 10th Hussars.”

He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January 14th, 1915, “for gallant and distinguished conduct in the field.”



CLEMENT HENRY PETO

2ND LIEUTENANT C. A. PIGOT-MOODIE

Rifle Brigade

Church Hill 04²-08²

Aged 24

Jan. 13th, 1915

YOUNGER SON of the late George Pigot-Moodie, of Westbrooke, Rondebosch, Cape Colony.

Magdalen College, Oxford.

Second Lieutenant Pigot-Moodie joined the Rifle Brigade soon after War was declared, and was later transferred to the Royal Irish Rifles, which Regiment he joined at the Front in November.

He wrote to a friend on Sunday, January 10th, 1915 :—"Of course the conditions are very bad, and trenches in an awful state, and all that ; but the actual thing is not half so bad as a bald statement of conditions makes it sound : 'accounts' that leave out the human element must give a false impression ; if the men were to get depressed then it would be heart-rending, but exceptional conditions only bring out their extraordinary form of humour, and so they keep their spirits up." To another he wrote :—"One thing is certain—one is far happier here than one would be anywhere else—no one is 'heavy.'"

On Monday, January 11th, his brother, Lieut. G. F. A. Pigot-Moodie, Royal Scots Greys, saw him for the last time, and found him "very cheery." On Tuesday, the 12th, he was sent into the trenches "in place of someone who was ill," and on Wednesday, the 13th, was shot through the head by a sniper at Kemmel, dying a few minutes after. He is buried near Wytschaete, in the neighbourhood of Bailleul.



CHARLES ALFRED PIGOT-MOODIE

CAPTAIN THE HON. F. R. D. PRITTIE

Rifle Brigade

The Head Master's 94³-99¹

Aged 34

Dec. 19th, 1914

SECOND son of Henry O'Callaghan Prittie (O.H.), 4th Baron Dunalley, Representative Peer, and Mary Frances Dunalley, of Kilbooy, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary.

Captain Prittie received a Commission in the 18th Royal Irish Regiment, and was transferred to the Rifle Brigade in 1900, becoming Captain in 1908. In 1907-8 he was employed on the Uganda-Congo Boundary Commission, and from 1910-1913 he was Assistant Commissioner in the Anglo-German and Anglo-Belgian Boundary Commission, while from September, 1913, to April, 1914, he was on special duty in Egypt. Captain Prittie was twice mentioned in Despatches, and was awarded the Cross of the Legion of Honour by General Joffre on October 15th, 1914, for being "the last man to leave a trench under very hot fire, and it was his action that saved the lives of many French soldiers."

He was killed on December 19th, 1914, while leading an attack at Ploegsteert.

Colonel Seymour, of the Rifle Brigade, writes to his father :—

"By your son's death the Regiment has lost one of the most gallant of officers, and one whose never-failing kindness and cheerfulness under all conditions have helped those around him in a way that they can never forget. It is impossible to describe how great a gap his death leaves in the Battalion. He was my greatest friend in the Regiment, and the blank left can never be filled."

General Cockburn, his first Rifle Brigade Colonel, writes to his father :—

"He was greatly loved by his men, and I am told he commanded the Battalion extraordinarily well, when he found himself the senior officer. I glory that it has been my privilege to have known him, and to have had him under me. God rest his gallant soul."

Captain Ovey, of the Rifle Brigade, writes :—

"He was a particular friend of mine, and I have always looked upon him as one of the most charming and generous natures I have ever known. I need not tell you how awfully well he had done out here, and how very popular he was, and what an absolutely first-class soldier everyone thought him. He would undoubtedly have got on very quickly if he had lived."



THE HON. FRANCIS REGINALD DENIS PRITTE

CAPTAIN M. RADCLIFFE

Border Regiment

Elmfield 97³-01³

Aged 31

Dec. 12th, 1914

ELDEST SON of the late Henry Miles Radcliffe, J.P. and High Sheriff for Westmorland, and Emily Bertha Radcliffe, daughter of John Platt, M.P. for Oldham.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married, in 1913, Kathleen Duffin, and leaves one son.

Captain Radcliffe received his Commission in the Border Regiment in 1904, and served with the Mounted Infantry in South Africa in 1906 and 1907. In October, 1914, he was attached to the 1st Royal Scots, as Machine Gun Officer, and with them went to the Front. He was killed instantaneously by a sniper while stepping into a 'dug-out' at Kemmel, in Flanders, on December 12th, 1914, and was buried in the churchyard there.

A brother-officer writes to his mother :—

“We were all most sorry about your son ; he had done extremely well, and was a very good and gallant officer.”



MILES RADCLIFFE

CAPTAIN E. H. REID

Suffolk Regiment

The Park 96²-99¹

Aged 32

Aug. 26th, 1914

SECOND son of George Boileau Reid (O.H.), late Indian Civil Service, and Florence Margaret Reid, of Fair Hill, Camberley.

Married, in 1913, Elsie Vivian, daughter of the late E. C. Grant, Secretary to the Stock Exchange, of Fosse Bank, East Camberley, and leaves one daughter.

Captain Reid joined the Suffolks in 1901, and served a year and a half in the South African War, gaining the Queen's medal with three clasps. From 1907 to 1912 he served with the King's African Rifles in Uganda, and took part in the operations in Somaliland, for which he also held the medal.

On leaving Uganda the Governor wrote on April 6th, 1912, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

“Before proceeding on Tour the Governor desired me to take this opportunity of bringing to your notice the excellent work performed by Capt. Reid, and the able assistance this officer has rendered to the Protectorate Government during the period he has acted in the capacity of Political Officer of the Kigezi District, viz. from July 7th, 1911, to March 16th, 1912. Captain Reid had to contend with exceptional difficulties in administering this new and unsettled district, which he has done without assistance under trying circumstances. He has shown marked administrative ability and maintained good order in a district where the native population has been brought under control for the first time. He has also furnished the Government with valuable reports and maps of a country hitherto practically unknown. Under the circumstances I recommend that this officer's name may be noted for special service, and that his service as Political Officer in the Protectorate may be brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War.”

He left the Curragh on August 13th, 1914, with the 5th Division, and was present at the Battle of Mons on August 23rd, and in the retreat to Le Cateau. He was shot through the head at Le Cateau on August 26th, and had been unconscious for some time when the Regiment was surrounded. His identification disc was sent in by the Germans in May, 1915.



EDWARD HARRINGTON REID

CAPTAIN W. E. ROGERSON

Durham Light Infantry

West Acre 87¹-89²

Aged 42

Nov. 13th, 1914

YOUNGER son of the late John Rogerson, of Croxdale Hall, Durham.

Trinity Hall, Cambridge (Master of the Beagles). Lived at Holywood Hall, Wolsingham, and later at Walworth Castle, Darlington, where he hunted with the South Durham and Zetland Hounds, and kept a few race-horses.

Married, in 1898, Violet, elder daughter of Lieutenant-General W. H. Mackesy, and leaves two sons and two daughters.

He died very suddenly on November 13th, 1914, at Bullswater Camp, Woking, of heart failure. He had been appointed Adjutant to the 12th Battalion; this, however, entailed more than he had strength for, but he refused to shirk his work.

It is believed that his was the first name on the Roll of Honour of K.I.



WILLIAM ERNEST ROGERSON

LIEUTENANT W. A. F. SANDEMAN

Gordon Highlanders

Elmfield 02³-05¹

Aged 25

Oct. 19th, 1914

ONLY surviving son of Capt. W. W. Sandeman (late Seaforth Highlanders) and Mrs. Sandeman.

Joined the Gordon Highlanders 1909: before the War he had been acting as extra A.D.C. to Sir Henry McCallum, G.C.M.G., Governor of Ceylon.

Lieutenant Sandeman went to France in August, 1914, and was present at the Battle of Le Cateau, and through the Retreat from Mons.

He was wounded and taken prisoner at Laventie Farm on October 13th, and died from peritonitis following his wound, at Laventie, on October 19th, 1914.



WILLIAM ALASTAIR FRASER SANDEMAN

CAPTAIN B. H. SELBY

Northumberland Fusiliers

The Park 96²-97³

Aged 32

Sept. 20th, 1914

ELDER son of Beauchamp P. Selby (O.H.), J.P. for Northumberland, of Pawston, Cornhill-on-Tweed.

Won the Silver Cup at the Indian Durbar, 1911, for the Officers' Feather-weight Championship of All India, and in April, 1914, at Portsmouth, was runner-up to Lieut. A. B. Butterworth, A.S.C.

Captain Selby joined the Northumberland Fusiliers in 1901, served in the Mahmand Expedition in 1908, and became Captain in 1912.

The following appeared in the *St. George's Gazette* of October 31st, 1914 :—"Beauchamp—it is right to speak of him by the Christian name by which all his friends knew him—was an officer with marked individual tastes which he followed with unflagging perseverance and efficiency. He excelled in three particulars : as a boxer, a marksman, and a hunter. The encouragement and personal attention which he gave to all promising glove fighters in the Regiment will ever be gratefully remembered by them. He was a keen rifle and revolver shot, and only this summer was busy at Wool training possible members of a revolver team for the Duke of Connaught's Competition. But his first love, and we think his foremost, was shikar, and practically the whole of his leave in India during the years he spent there, was occupied with tracking and shooting game. His tragic end robs us all of a brave and sturdy friend, whose memory we shall all affectionately cherish. He was a born fighter, and there is, peculiarly for him, something fitting that he should have died fighting for the noblest of all causes."

His Colonel writes to his mother :—

"Poor Beauchamp was shot through the head in the trenches north of Vailly. . . . He is buried close by where he fell. Your son was one of the lion-hearted breed that are such a power in a Regiment. At the fight at Kemines, the day after Mons, he did some very gallant work under a heavy fire to the great admiration of the O.C. Lincolnshire Regiment, to whom he was temporarily attached."



BEAUCHAMP HENRY SELBY

CAPTAIN H. J. SHAW

Royal Fusiliers

Church Hill 00²-05²

Aged 28

Nov. 12th, 1914

ELDEST son of William Sissmore Shaw, Partner in Parry and Co., Madras, and Violet Amy Yule Shaw.

Monitor, 1904 ; Football XI, 1903-4 ; Gym. VIII, 1903.

Went to India on leaving School and spent a year in Messrs. Parry and Co.'s firm ; then visited East Africa, to shoot big game.

Captain Shaw joined the 5th Battalion Royal Fusiliers in 1908, and was promoted Captain in October, 1914. Jimmy Shaw—to use the name by which his brother-officers knew him—was a man of exceptional force of character, liked and respected by all, and particularly esteemed by the other Harrovians in his Regiment.

He was killed on November 12th, 1914, at Fleur Baix, by a fall of earth, which smothered him in his dug-out.

As a boy at Harrow he showed rare determination and quiet courage in facing difficulties. This did not make him popular with those who did not understand. But all who knew him well thought most highly of him, and this opinion has been amply justified by the excellent work he did with his Regiment.



HUGH JAMES SHAW

CAPTAIN W. T. STACKHOUSE

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment

The Grove 97²-00²

Aged 31

March, 1915

SON of the late Major W. A. Stackhouse, of Inglefield Hall, Settle. Married, in 1912, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norrington, of Abbotsfield, Plymouth.

Captain Stackhouse joined the Lancashire Fusiliers in 1903, and served at Tipperary with the 4th Battalion.

On its disbandment under the Haldane scheme he was posted to the 1st Battalion at Malta, from which he was specially appointed to the Sherwood Foresters. He went to the Front on November 4th, 1914, and saw much fighting. While on active service he was attached to the Royal Berkshire Regiment.

He was killed in action in March, 1915.



WILLIAM THOMAS STACKHOUSE

CAPTAIN C. E. STRAHAN

Royal Highlanders

Small Houses 96³-99¹

Aged 31

Nov. 27th, 1914

ONLY son of Lieutenant-General Charles Strahan, R.E., and Rose Sarah Richardson Strahan, of Hemingstone Hall, Coddendam, Ipswich.

Captain Strahan was gazetted to the 1st Battalion of the Black Watch in 1902, joining them during the South African War (King's medal and two clasps). In September, 1909, he was appointed Staff Officer to the local forces in the Windward Islands, returning to England in 1912. In 1913 he joined the 2nd Battalion in India. On the outbreak of the War he was sent ahead to Marseilles as billeting officer, and joined his Regiment in the trenches on October 20th. He was shot while on duty in the trenches near Bethune, on November 27th, 1914.

Lieut.-Colonel William Campbell writes :—

“He was an excellent officer, and had done particularly well throughout all the trying work in the trenches which he was called on to do here.”

Major Sutherland writes :—

“I was in the trenches with him at the time, and I can tell you that on that day, as on every day, he was the cheeriest of us all. We all feel his loss very deeply, both as a real friend and as an officer. I can assure you that all the men of his Company feel it as keenly as we do.”

Captain Skene writes :—

“He was one of the best, and a real good soldier. The Regiment has suffered a real loss in him. His men loved him and would have done anything for him.”

Brigadier-General Fasken writes :—

“He was a charming fellow, I liked him very much indeed. . . . He was out of the common, even among British officers.”



CHARLES ERIC STRAHAN

LIEUTENANT F. E. STYLES

Royal Munster Fusiliers

Moretons 98¹-99²

Aged 30

Aug. 27th, 1914

ELDEST son of Frederick Styles, late Chairman of "Horrockses," Cotton Spinners, of Preston, Lancashire, and Helena A. W. Styles, of Blackmoor, Edenbridge, Kent.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Lieutenant Styles was gazetted to the Munster Fusiliers in 1903. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 1906, and retired in April, 1914, but rejoined his Regiment just before the outbreak of the War. He went to France on August 13th, 1914, and was killed at EtreuX fourteen days afterwards, while gallantly leading his men under a heavy fire.

Captain Wise, his Adjutant, now a prisoner of war at Torgau, wrote:—

"You will already have heard that poor Fred was shot on Thursday, 27th of August. At the time he was gallantly leading his men under a heavy fire, and had he survived would certainly have been mentioned in Despatches. I was not actually present when he was hit, but I have been told by those who were on the spot that his death was painless and instantaneous. When I saw him a few minutes later he was lying peacefully, as though asleep. As this letter will be censored by the German authorities I am unable to give you any details as to the action, or the situation of the battlefield. All the officers who fell were buried in one grave, and a service was conducted by a German clergyman. Fred's loss is infinitely regretted by all of us who survive, and I wish to convey to you, on behalf of the Regiment, the utmost sympathy of all ranks with Miss Styles and yourself."



FREDERICK ERNEST STYLES

CAPTAIN C. SYMES-THOMPSON

Grenadier Guards

The Grove 96¹-98²

Aged 33

Nov. 17th, 1914

YOUNGEST son of the late Dr. Edmund Symes-Thompson, M.D., F.R.C.P., and of Mrs. Symes-Thompson, of 33, Cavendish Square, and Finmere House, Finmere, Oxfordshire.

Married, in 1912, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, and leaves one daughter.

Captain Symes-Thompson went with the 3rd West Yorkshire Regiment to Malta in April, 1901, and the following month joined the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards, as 2nd Lieutenant; he obtained his Captaincy in 1910. He was in charge of the signallers of the 1st Battalion in 1907, in which year they gained first place in the British Army. He also used to keep wicket for the Household Brigade. He was transferred to the 2nd Battalion when it was ordered on active service, and went to the Front on August 12th, 1914. He was through the Retreat from Mons, and fought at the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne. On October 21st he arrived at Zonnebeke with the 4th Guards Brigade, to reinforce brigades which needed support to fill gaps between the British and French. He was killed in action on November 17th, 1914, the last day of the first battle of Ypres, while commanding No. 2 Company, in a very exposed trench. He was buried at Zillebeke.



CHOLMELEY SYMES-THOMPSON

CAPTAIN H. TAYLOR

Scots Guards

The Grove 94³-99²

Aged 33

Dec. 19th, 1914

ELDER son of Thomas Taylor, of Chipchase Castle, Northumberland.

Monitor, 1898. Head of his House. Balliol College, Oxford. Prospective Unionist Candidate for the Borough of Sunderland.

Married, in 1907, Mary, daughter of the late Henry Villiers Stuart, of Dromana, Co. Waterford, and left a son, who has since died, and a daughter.

Captain Taylor joined the Scots Guards in 1904, and was promoted Lieutenant in 1905, and Captain in 1914. He went to the Front in September, 1914, as Brigade Machine Gun Officer, in which capacity he took part in the retreat from Antwerp and the first Battle of Ypres. In December, being then in command of a Company, he led an attack on the German trenches near Rouges Bancs. He succeeded in occupying part of the trench and returned alone to the British lines to report. While going back to rejoin his men he was instantaneously killed.

For gallant and distinguished conduct on this and other occasions he was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January 14th, 1915.

On Christmas Day an informal truce was initiated by the Saxons, who were opposite the Scots Guards, and Captain Taylor's body was brought over by the Saxons, with bared heads, and was buried at La Cardonière Farm.

A brother-officer writes:—

“Dear old Hugh was a most splendid character. I can't tell you how well he ran the Machine Guns; he was always cheerful, and no day was ever too long for him. He was the most unselfish man I ever came across. We in the Regiment will always be proud to have had him as our comrade.”



HUGH TAYLOR

CAPTAIN F. G. THEOBALD

Royal Lancaster Regiment

Rendalls 89²-93²

Aged 38

Aug. 26th, 1914

ELDEST son of Frederick Theobald, Rector of Great and Little Wigborough, Colchester, and Jane Elizabeth Theobald.

Qualified as a Solicitor in 1899, and was reading for the Bar.

Captain Theobald joined the Royal Lancaster Regiment in 1900, and served in the South African War, receiving the Queen's and the King's medals and four clasps. During this war he distinguished himself by gallantly holding a dangerous post under heavy fire for twelve hours with only ten men, an incident which is referred to in Sir Conan Doyle's book, *The Great Boer War*. He obtained his Captaincy in 1907, and was appointed Adjutant to the 2nd Battalion. From 1908 to 1913 he was A.D.C. to Sir H. McCallum, Governor of Ceylon, and helped to entertain the Crown Prince of Germany, when the latter visited Ceylon. He went to the Front on August 20th, 1914, and was killed in action on the morning of August 26th at Le Cateau.

Sir Henry McCallum writes:—

“ . . . Let me add my testimony to the sterling qualities of your son. Conscientious and thorough to a degree, the soul of honour, sweet in disposition and perfect in character. . . . ”



FREDERICK GEORGE THEOBALD

2ND LIEUTENANT G. S. RODIE THOMPSON

King's Royal Rifle Corps

Druries 07²-11²

Aged 20

Sept. 14th, 1914

ONLY son of George Rodie Thompson, J.P. and D.L., of Lynwood, Ascot, Berkshire, and of Ezit Thompson.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1911.

Second Lieutenant Rodie Thompson joined the K.R.R.C. in 1912. He left England with the 1st Division on August 12th, 1914, and was with his Regiment through the Retreat from Mons. He was killed in action on September 14th, while leading his men in the attack on the Factory at Troyon, on the heights of the Aisne.



GEORGE SAMUEL RODIE THOMPSON

CAPTAIN R. TRYON

Rifle Brigade

Rendalls 82¹-84¹

Aged 46

Jan. 10th, 1915

ELDEST son of the late Captain Richard Tryon (O.H.), late Rifle Brigade, of The Lodge, Oakham, and of Jane Anna Lucy, eldest daughter of the late General W. A. Johnson, M.P., of Wytham-on-the-Hill, Lincoln. Nephew of Vice-Admiral Sir George Tryon, K.C.B., A.D.C. to the late Queen Victoria, who was drowned in his flagship, the "Victoria," on June 22nd, 1893, while commanding the Mediterranean Fleet.

Married, in 1894, Edith Campbell Watson, eldest daughter of William Clarence Watson, of Colworth, Bedfordshire, and leaves two sons.

Captain Tryon was gazetted to the Rifle Brigade in 1890. He retired in 1895, and was attached to the Reserve of Officers. In 1904 he joined the Northamptonshire Yeomanry as Major. When the War broke out he was posted to the 6th Battalion of the Rifle Brigade, and at the time of his death he was serving with the 2nd King's Royal Rifle Corps. He was killed in action at Cuinchy, on January 10th, 1915.



RICHARD TRYON

LIEUTENANT G. M. R. TURBUTT

Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry

The Knoll 97²-01²

Aged 31

Oct. 21st, 1914

ELDER son of William Gladwin Turbutt, J.P., of Ogston Hall, Derbyshire.

Magdalen College, Oxford, B.A., 1904. J.P. for Derbyshire : Architect. Restored to the Bodleian Library the original copy of Shakespeare, presented by Stationers' Hall to the Library, and afterwards sold. He was entrusted by Dr. Armitage Robinson with the task of restoring the Deanery of Wells, a work which he performed with characteristic care and good sense.

Lieutenant Turbutt went to France on August 20th, 1914, and, in charge of the first Reserves, joined his Regiment during the Retreat from Mons early in September. He was killed on the first day of the Battle of St. Julien, on October 21st, 1914.

His Colonel wrote :—

“Gladwyn Turbutt is a great loss; he was the best subaltern in the Regiment, and always hoped he would one day command it.”

One of his men speaks of his sympathy for those under his command ; he was leading them when he was shot, and had just called out to them, “Come on, boys.” His success as a soldier is all the more striking, as he was a born student and lover of books and literature, as well as a very promising architect.



GLADWYN MAURICE REVELL TURBUTT

2ND LIEUTENANT H. SCOTT TURNER

Royal Highlanders

High Street 11²-14²

Aged 18

March 11th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Major Scott Turner (42nd Royal Highlanders) and Dora Scott Turner.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1914.

Second Lieutenant Scott Turner joined the 3rd Battalion of the Black Watch at Nigg in January, 1915, and died at Cromartie from pneumonia on March 11th of the same year. He was not nineteen, and was eagerly looking forward to active service with the Regiment in which his father had served and died, in the South African War.

His Colonel writes :—

“ . . . He was such a very promising soldier in every way.”

His Major writes to his mother :—

“ I never met your boy, but everyone seems to have had the same opinion of him : a fine man and a fine soldier, the son of his father.”



HENRY SCOTT TURNER

LIEUTENANT C. H. VAN NECK

Northumberland Fusiliers

The Head Master's 07³-11²

Aged 21

Oct. 20th, 1914

FOURTH son of the late Charles Neck, of Lily Hill, Braeknek, and of Grace Van Neck, of 32 Pont Street.

Lieutenant Van Neck joined the 3rd Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers (S.R.) in 1913, and was promoted the following year. He went to the Front on September 21st, 1914, and after being for a short time at the base at St. Nazaire, he joined his Regiment near La Bassée. He was killed by a sniper on October 20th, at Herlies, and buried by his men in the garden of the house in front of which they were entrenched.

His Major writes to his mother :—

“I can only say that England has lost one who showed how a thorough English ‘Sahib’ should live ; all my brother-officers say the same. If I had a son I should wish him to take your son as an example.”

A brother-officer writes :—

“Charles was a great favourite with his men, who would do anything for him ; he was as cool and brave as the oldest of soldiers, and anyone who knew him must admire him.”



CHARLES HYLTON VAN NECK

LIEUTENANT F. C. VERNER

Shropshire Light Infantry

Moretons 05³-10³

Aged 21

Oct. 25th, 1914

SECOND SON of William Henry Verner, Bengal Civil Service, and Catherine Louisa Verner.

Brasenose College, Oxford, 1911.

Lieutenant Verner left for the Front with his Regiment on September 8th, 1914.

Of his death in the following month a brother-officer wrote that he stuck to a most dangerous post in the trench which his men had been occupying, and from which he made them retire to a safer place, while he himself remained, in order to give warning of an expected attack. He was struck by a shell and apparently killed immediately, though no one actually saw him fall.

His Captain, writing to his father, says :—

“ I may say that your son during the whole time behaved in the most gallant manner. All his men speak in the most extraordinary terms of his conduct, and say they would have gone anywhere with him, and are unanimous in saying that he stuck to a practically untenable position with extraordinary pluck. I may also say that I have recommended him to my Commanding Officer for some reward, which I trust he may get, as I know he fully deserved it. The men of his platoon came and even asked me for pennies from his money as souvenirs, as ‘ he was the bravest man they ever saw.’ ”

His Commanding Officer writing of him, said :—

“ He must have died a splendid death. One of his officers said :—‘ His name will always be remembered for having made a gallant fight for eight hours against overwhelming force.’ ”

An article in the *Oxford Magazine* said :—

“ . . . As honest as he was chivalrous, he saw clearly the right and the wrong, and he always did the right. He had set his heart on becoming an officer in the Royal Flying Corps. *Dis aliter visum*. For him a soldier’s death seemed the only possible end ; for in him we have lost an old-fashioned gentleman and a very gallant officer.”



FREDERICK CHARLES VERNER

CAPTAIN SIR F. E. WALLER, BART.

Royal Fusiliers

The Head Master's 94⁷-98⁷

Aged 34

Oct. 25th, 1914

ELDEST SON of the late Major-General Sir G. H. Waller, Bart. (O.H.).
R.M.C., Sandhurst. Succeeded as 4th Baronet in 1892. J.P. and D.L.
for Warwickshire.

Captain Waller joined the Royal Fusiliers in 1899, and retired as Captain in 1908. He served in the South African War, being present at the relief of Ladysmith, Colenso, and various engagements, and was severely wounded (Queen's medal and four clasps, King's medal). He was transferred to the Special Reserve, Royal Fusiliers, in 1908. He went to France with his Regiment in September, 1914, and was killed on October 25th, 1914, near Neuve Chapelle.



SIR FRANCIS ERNEST WALLER, BART.

LIEUTENANT R. ST. J. WILLANS

Northumberland Fusiliers

Rendalls 91³-94³

Aged 37

Nov. 11th, 1914

ONLY son of the late Lieut.-Colonel St. J. Willans and Mrs. Willans daughter of the late R. Courage, Snowdenham, Bramley, Surrey.
Trinity College, Cambridge.

Lieutenant Willans served through the South African War with the Northumberland Fusiliers (Queen's and King's medals). He retired in 1905, and was studying Art in Paris in 1914. When the War broke out he rejoined his Regiment and went to the Front in November, 1914. He was buried by a shell on November 11th, near Ypres. The other officers of his Regiment had all been killed or wounded, and he was at first included among the 'missing,' but has since been reported as killed.

With an Irish love of getting into scrapes, and a happy capacity for getting out of them, he was one for whom Mr. Bowen's lines might have been written :—

“Faults many and quickly repented,
Much love where repentance had been.”

Always cheerful and happy-go-lucky, he leaves a singularly happy memory of himself, even with those who suffered from him.



ROBERT ST. JOHN WILLANS

2ND LIEUTENANT M. D. WILLIAMS

Royal West Surrey Regiment

The Grove 08²-12⁷

Aged 20

Oct. 23rd, 1914

YOUNGEST SON of Alexander and Amy Williams, of Jerez de la Frontera, Spain.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1913.

Second Lieutenant Williams went to the Front on September 28th, 1914. He was left in a ditch, wounded in the leg, on the night of October 23rd, 1914, near Pilkem, in the neighbourhood of Ypres. On retaking the ground at sunrise, on the 24th, no trace could be found of him. No news of him was received until November, 1916, when it was stated by the Germans that he had been buried at Wiedenreft, Belgium.

Colonel Pell, commanding his Battalion, wrote :—

“He was a universal favourite with officers and men, which is the best proof of his sterling qualities.”

The Officer Commanding his Company said :—

“M. D. Williams saved my life about half a minute before he was hit.”



MAURICE DINGWALL WILLIAMS

LIEUTENANT E. H. WILSON

Royal Highlanders

Rendalls 05³-10²

Aged 22

Sept. 8th, 1914

ONLY son of the late James Humphrey Wilson, of Shona, Ayr, and Katharine Campbell MacMillan.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1911 (colour-sergeant).

Lieutenant Wilson joined the Black Watch in 1912, being promoted in 1914. He left Aldershot with his Regiment on August 13th, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons.

He was killed on September 8th while gallantly leading his men in a charge on the Petit-Morin River.

His Colonel writes that he was a very promising young soldier, greatly beloved both by officers and men. In the retreat from Cambrai he suffered from a lame foot, but only for one hour in the dark would he consent to ride, as he wanted to set an example of endurance to his men.

His Major writes :—

“His loss is much felt by all ranks. His Company will miss him and so do we all, as he had endeared himself to all his brother-officers and comrades.”

Another Officer writes :—

“We have all lost a good friend and the Regiment a splendid officer.”



ERIC HOLMES WILSON

CAPTAIN C. E. WOOD

Royal Welsh Fusiliers

The Grove 98¹-03⁷

Aged 30

March 11th, 1915

YOUNGER son of Edward John Wedg and Lettice Wood, of Meece House, near Stone, Staffordshire.

Shooting VIII, 1902-3; R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1904 (won the "Revolver" and passed out second); was well known with the North Staffordshire Hounds.

Captain Wood joined the 1st Battalion of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers in 1905, and obtained his Captaincy in 1913, being appointed Adjutant of the 5th Battalion in 1913. He went to the Front with the 1st Battalion on November 1st, 1914, and saw considerable service in the trenches during the winter, being Second-in-command of the Battalion, as well as acting as Adjutant. He was killed on the 11th of March at the Battle of Neuve Chapelle, and was buried at Fauquissart, near Laventie. He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of May 31st, 1915.

The General of his Division writes :—

"Good officers such as he are worth their weight, many times, in gold: he was an excellent officer, and commanded confidence wherever he went."

The Officer Commanding his Battalion writes :—

"It was a noble ending to his brilliant service. I feel most awfully about it, for I had grown to care very much for him, and to lean on him for advice and help all through the long cold winter."



CHARLES EDWARD WOOD

2ND LIEUTENANT M. C. WROUGHTON

12th Lancers

Rendalls 05¹-10¹

Aged 23

Oct. 30th, 1914

ONLY son of William Musgrave and Edith Constance Wroughton, of Creaton Lodge, Northants.

Christ Church, Oxford : in 1912 accompanied Sir Robert Baden-Powell as A.D.C. on his world tour, in connection with the Boy Scout movement.

Second Lieutenant Wroughton joined the Northamptonshire Yeomanry in 1910, but transferred to the 12th Lancers (S.R.) in October, 1913. He accompanied his Regiment to the Front on August 16th, 1914, and was present at the Battle of Mons, through the Retreat, and at the Battles of the Marne and the Aisne. He was killed in action near Ypres on October 30th, and buried in the churchyard at Kemmel, Belgium.

His Major writes (two days before he was killed) :—

“He is an excellent soldier, and can turn his hand to anything. I intend to do my utmost to get him mentioned in Despatches for all the good work he has done.”

One of the Captains of the 12th Lancers writes :—

“Did I tell you what a splendid fellow Wroughton was? We found it out more and more after the War began, and we all came to love him. He was brave as a lion, generous, always cheery and ready for any sort of work, and in fact one of the best fellows one could ever wish to have.”

He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of January 14th, 1915, for gallant and distinguished conduct in the field.



MUSGRAVE CAZENOVE WROUGHTON

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